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Sewer hearing Monday; Town Meeting Oct. 19

*New 'dwelling unit'
definitions proposed*

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Bethel selectmen will hold a public hearing Monday, Oct. 12, on a proposed ordinance wording change that would affect how sewer use is billed.

A special Town Meeting is scheduled for Oct. 19 to vote on the question. Both meetings are scheduled for 7 p.m. at the Town Office.

The wording change is for the definition of a "dwelling unit" as it relates to sewer billing, and is in response to sewer customers who have been unhappy with updated billing that took effect last fall.

A group of those customers, however, is proposing its own definition, one that would be more inclusive.

Background

Sewer bills go out quarterly, with a minimum charge of \$121, with usage over 1,500 cubic feet of water having an added charge of \$8.09/100 cubic feet, according to the town.

In 2012 selectmen recommended the town extend the billing to individual dwelling units in properties such as some older apartment buildings, which had not yet been billed in compliance with town ordinance and were therefore billed as a single property. They said that units constructed more recently have been billed all along according to the ordinance, and the updates were needed to be fair.

The changes were outlined at public hearings and approved at the 2012 Town Meeting, town officials said.

But then the town heard from apartment house owners and business renters who said their bills were increasing by multiple times. They said the town's definition of a dwelling unit, on which billing is based, is too vague.

The ordinance currently defines a dwelling unit as "Any

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THE APPLES KNEW IT'S AUTUMN-Despite the late development of foliage this fall, the apple crop was right on time and it was a good year, according to Lyon Orchard in Bethel. On Saturday Kailey Thorpe, 9, the granddaughter of orchard owners Colleen and Greg Warner, checked out the MacIntoshes on one of the trees. More fall photos, Page 9. A. Aloisio

Art opening Saturday to kick off Casablanca renaissance

BY AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

During the years of the Casablanca Cinema's operation in Bethel, it was a part of the fabric of the community, a place for first dates and family outings, birthday parties and Mom

and Dad's night out.

When the theater shut its doors in the fall of 2012, Elaine Riendeau of Gorham, N.H., its manager since 2000, told the Boston Globe that the closure was due to the prohibitive cost of converting to digital projection.

In the three years since,

many have wondered what would happen to the building, and if it could ever be revived as a theater. A recent attempt did not work out.

Now Wade Kavanaugh and Bethany Weisberger of Albany are working to purchase the Casablanca Cinema building, and have set their

sights on showing movies there again, perhaps by the first of the year.

Both grew up in Winthrop, graduating from Winthrop High School. After college, Kavanaugh got to know the Bethel area when he spent

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Blue the dog on the mend at BAH

BY ALISON ALOISIO

A dog named Blue is recovering at the Bethel Animal Hospital after he was found at Sunday River Resort last week with lacerations on his muzzle caused by it being taped shut. Sunday River spokesperson Sarah Devlin said Monday, "Our Public Safety crew got a call on Friday morning. The dog was picked up by Timothy Turner, our Deputy Director of Public Safety, who is also a retired state police canine officer."

The dog, estimated to be between six and nine months old, was turned over to Newry Animal Control Officer Sue Milligan. She brought him to the BAH where the staff gave him

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FEELING BETTER-Blue a few hours after surgery Monday, with stitches on one side that closed a cut that was all the way through the skin over his mouth. A. Aloisio

Gneiss Spice finds a niche

BY AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

In 2009, Bethany Weisberger and Wade Kavanaugh were living in a tiny apartment in Brooklyn, and Weisberger was teaching in the New York City public school system.

"She came home one day and said she wanted her own business," Kavanaugh recalled.

The on-line marketplace Etsy, specializing in handmade and vintage goods, was just beginning to take off, and Weisberger thought about what kind of items she might be able to make and sell.

"She said she didn't think she could knit fast enough for that to work," Kavanaugh said.

Inspired by a spice rack made from jelly jars that she had seen in a friend's kitchen, Weisberger, who loves to cook, had recently created one for herself.

Using small, hexagonal jars with magnetic lids, she had formed an eye-catching honeycomb design on the outside of her refrigerator, while freeing up some of her limited cupboard space.

She tested the waters by listing it on Etsy. It sold quickly, and her business, Gneiss Spice, was off and running.

Soon, she was shipping orders for organic spices, packed into 1.5-ounce or four-ounce jars with hand-stamped magnetic lids, all over the country.

After several years of working full-time during the day and preparing spices for shipping far into the night, in 2013 she left a decade-long teaching career to concentrate full-time on the spice business.

Kavanaugh, an artist who had been working at various freelance jobs, now also works for the spice business, which has two additional part-time employees and hires extra help as needed.

Several years ago, the couple bought property in Albany that included, in addition to a dilapidated farmhouse, a barn that they have restored, converting the downstairs to living quarters and a 20-by-45-foot space upstairs into an art studio.

They began spending more of their time in Maine, and shortly before the birth of their daughter, Althea, in December

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Letters

OUR STEP FALLS EXPERIENCE

To the Editor:

For the past three years, we have spent one week each summer as volunteer stewards for Step Falls. After reading recent articles about Step Falls, we would like to share our experiences. Although we didn't know what to expect when accepting the assignment, we have found it to be a very positive one.

The majority of people we spoke to enjoyed the Falls with their families. Many have been visiting for generations. One Maine family told us they visit every year and take a picture in the same spot to record the growth of each child. Another gentleman told us that he was originally from the area and makes it point to visit Step Falls when he is home every summer. Another group with several elementary school-aged children told us that Step Falls is the part of their Family Reunion that the cousins enjoy the most.

Several local repeat visitors asked us about the boundary marking ropes at the top of the trail. We explained that the boundary markers are there to clearly mark private property. Everyone we spoke to respected the boundary lines.

One task of volunteers is to pick up any litter found on the trail. We have found very little on the trail. In over 21 days of visits, we could not have filled a grocery bag. That said, we did find a baby sock, a towel, a stray water bottle, and a few food wrappers.

It is a privilege for the community to have stewardship of this unique patch of God's green earth. We are happy that we are able to help with this effort. If you would like to help, please contact the Mahoosuc Land Trust.

Eileen and Mike Broderick
Bethel

CONCERNED ABOUT LOGGING PROJECT

To the Editor:

A stream that originates from a remote public forest is the target of a major road building and logging project on state lands. The water sources of the Bull Branch of the Sunday River are Speck Pond and Mahoosuc Notch on the Appalachian Trail, water that eventually makes its way to popular swimming spots such as Frenchman's Hole and the Letter S.

Despite its use as a remote hiking and camping area, and as an informal connection to the AT, the public lands of the upper Bull Branch valley will be the focus of an approximately 2,000-acre logging project. State officials have so far dismissed requests for conservation of the area for wildland recreation, and some preliminary road work has begun.

Folks who have concerns or questions about this project should direct comments to Doug Denico, standing director of Maine's Bureau of Parks and Lands at 207-287-2795 or douglas.denico@maine.gov.

Laurie Herron
Bethel

AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES GATHERINGS

To the Editor:

The Town of Bethel is now a member of the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities, thanks to the commitment of the Town's Select Board and the Town Manager. Members of the Age-Friendly Community Project (AFCP) have been working toward this goal for several months and are delighted to have come to this point. The AFCP hopes to facilitate changes in the community that will permit it to be a more age-friendly place for all to live, but especially to help older folks be able to remain in their own homes for as long as they want.

Members of the AFCP will be hosting two public gatherings at the Bethel Alliance Church on Oct. 14, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., and Oct. 15 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. The purpose is three-fold: to provide an update on the project's progress to date; to seek input from community members over 50 about their needs for an age-friendly community; and to highlight the next steps. Of utmost importance, we will be distributing a survey, which we hope many of our citizens age 50 and over will complete to help us better assess needs that are not being met.

The AFCP team strongly encourages all who are age 50 and over to join us on either the 14th or the 15th so that you can be part of this exciting venture. (The two gatherings will cover the same information, so you need only attend one of them.) We would like to emphasize that although the Town of Bethel has taken steps to commit to the AFCP, people from surrounding towns are invited to attend these meetings.

Members of the AFCP Team (Eliza Barnes, Allen Cressy, Jackie Cressy, Nancy Davis, Kay Larson, Linda McDonough, Jan Stowell, Rosabelle Tiffet, Judy Whitman)
Bethel

STOLEN CAMERAS

To the Editor:

To whom it may concern: The items taken from my shed without my permission were intended for my family members. If you attempt to sell the antique cameras, buyers should know they were stolen.

Jean H. Grover
Greenwood

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EXPAND "DWELLING UNIT" DEFINITION

To The Editor:

I'm sure some of you are sort of tired of hearing about Bethel's Sewer rates, as the town continues to avoid dealing with the fundamental issue - we have an "overbuilt" system designed in anticipation of the Bethel Station development - and we all should pay for it! Bethel's rates are among the highest in the state for a comparably sized community and rather than simply raising the rates for everyone, the Selectmen are trying to target selective rate payer rather than charging those who use the most volume, as the ordinance requires.

The Selectmen are grappling with a way to redefine a "dwelling unit" in order to justify charging the minimum quarterly charge of \$121.35 for 1,500 cubic feet (cf) of waste for each "unit" (.0809/cf).

The ordinance passed in 2012 defined a "dwelling unit" as "any part of a structure which, through sale or lease, is intended for human habitation" further defined with examples of various housing units. Even the Selectmen, the CEO and the Town Manager agreed that the definition was so poorly written that literally everyone in town could have been charged a minimum! The current definition up for debate states "one or more rooms arranged for complete, independent housekeeping purposes with space for eating, living and sleeping; facilities for cooking; and provisions for sanitation." (It is not the intent of the Code that the list of spaces in the definition of the term dwelling unit is to be all inclusive. It is the intent of the Code that the list of spaces is a minimal set of criteria that must be provided to be considered a dwelling unit and therefore, the dwelling unit can contain other spaces that are typical to a single family dwelling). That definition will once again target one segment of rate payer versus another, without any history of use!

A group of concerned sewer rate payers, and property tax payers, have been extremely concerned about this pending definition. We are going to propose a new definition of a dwelling unit, one that is more inclusive, more broad-based and incorporates all types of rate payers. It is precisely the definition used by the Town of Jay, which is as follows:

"A "Residential Unit" shall mean either (1) an apartment, room or other area within any structure that is adapted for overnight accommodation of one or more persons, (2) an apartment, room or other area within any structure that is set aside for periodic occupancy by one or more persons, (3) an apartment, room or other area within any structure that is an exclusive and independent living area within such structure in which the Owner has no right of possession during such periods of occupancy by one or more persons, or (4) a lot of land, leased or owned, upon which a house, mobile home, trailer or other structure suitable for human habitation is placed."

This new definition of a dwelling or residential unit makes this everyone's problem. The largest "users" of our system are Gould's dormitories, the Bethel Inn, the many B&Bs, motels, government controlled apartment units, etc. Their rates are directly affected by use, the more they use, the more they pay. So perhaps the real issue is the need to increase the rate for all, not just a few!

Frankly, why is an in-law apartment, a motel room, a dormitory room, a B&B room or an apartment above your business, any more likely to be considered a place of human habitation than any other? Why not just charge people who use more waste water more for their use, determined by what water goes in through the Town water meter? The ordinance clearly states that rates can be adjusted based on use - those that use more can be charged more!

Lastly, there is indeed a valid concern about older residents on fixed incomes, who seldom utilize the minimum 1,500/cf yet pay \$121.35/quarter. Perhaps we need to adjust the minimum down to 1,000/cf with a new rate of \$.09 where the minimum charge would be \$.90/quarter. If one uses more water, there is a charge of .09/cf, the same as everyone else.

Bob Laux, Hasting Suites and Wild River Realty
Bethel

LYME DISEASE CONFERENCE THANKS

To the Editor:

The Mt. Valley Lyme Disease Awareness Coalition held its 4th Annual Lyme Disease Awareness Conference on Saturday Sept. 12 at Telstar High School. Over 100 people attended to hear the incredible line-up that included Dr. Bea Szantyr, Dr. Alan MacDonald, Birdie Googins (aka The Marden's Lady) and Dr. Charles Ray Jones. Donations of \$10 were requested and appreciated at the door but were not mandatory, as we NEVER want cost to be an obstacle for folks who would like to attend. A portion of that money will be shared with Dr. Alan MacDonald to help with his research costs. The remainder will help off-set conference and other Coalition expenses.

The Coalition would like to thank the following people who helped make the event possible: All of the vendors and volunteers for the day; our speakers, Dr. Szantyr, Dr. MacDonald and Dr. Jones who donate their time and expertise; Birdie Googins who made us all laugh; Kristy and James, our tech support; Joanne who helped out in the kitchen; Frank from Crossroads Diner for the delicious lunch and for the wonderful dinner at his Bar and Grill later that evening; Barbara at Hot Colors for designing and printing our T-shirts; Cherry and Randall at Ink Plaza for all their design and printing work; W.H.A.T for filming the event and making the DVDs; Vicki Delfino-Butler our Emcee; Shelley Elliott-Graham our photographer; Rep. Deb Sanderson for Opening Remarks and Sharon Rose-Vaznis for Closing.

And a HUGE thank-you to our sponsors: The Lyme Disease Association, Naples Packing, Oxford Federal Credit Union, Pat's Pizza, Western Maine Supply, Cross Evacuations, Stony Brook Res and Camping, Slopeside Rentals, Northeast Bank, Maine Line Products, Gallant's Furniture, Rumford Eagles, Bethel Foodliner, Jade's Salon, D.A. Wilson & Co, Nabos, Dick's Restaurant, Olsen's Tent Rentals, Community Energy, Putia's Lumber, Maine Real Estate Network, Mt. View Eye Care, Hannaford, Bethel Bait & Tackle, Riverview Resort, Good Food Store, Mahoosuc Realty, Ta-Dah Hair Salon, Riverside Realty, Town of Newry, House of Beauty, Dunham Farms, Homeslice Pizza, Napa, Lee Bell, Raymond Baker and Wayne Farnum.

If we forgot anyone, we are truly sorry. Without the help and generosity of each and every one of you, the conference could not/would not happen. Initial planning for next year's event has already started. Anyone interested in being a volunteer, a sponsor, a vendor, help with the planning etc., please contact us at mtvalleyldac@yahoo.com.

Rhonda Baker and Diane Farnum, Co-Founders
Mt. Valley Lyme Disease Awareness Coalition

From the Bethel Town Manager's Office

BY CHRISTINE M. LANDES

Greetings! I must apologize that I haven't been able to submit a biweekly report for about a month. Things have been very busy in the office and some items have precedence over others. Last week I was in Seattle for the ICMA (International City/County Management Association) conference. If you will recall, I received over \$1,600 in scholarships to attend the event. I must tell you it was amazing!

The conference started on Sunday afternoon with an opening ceremony and presentation to over 3,000 managers representing 22 countries! Each day multiple classes were offered with each participant choosing what category interested them the most. I attended classes on working with elected officials, first time managers/administrators, budgeting, big technology and tactics for small towns, social media, ethics, regional approaches to sharing services, strategic planning, and human resourcing, just to name a few. Although each region has different processes, it seems that the information provided could be customized for individual states, counties or municipalities.

I would estimate that over 40 Maine managers were present the whole week. I also had the opportunity to get to know a couple of other people from California and Ohio. We exchanged contact info and plan on staying in touch to bounce ideas off each other. Although bittersweet to leave the conference after a week of education and socializing, we promised we would all meet again in Kansas City for next year's conference.

This week I have had the pleasure of attending the Maine Municipal Association Annual Convention in Augusta. This two day event brings education, vendors, and municipal employees together under one roof. The experience and stories provided at this event are priceless.

Let's update you on a bit of town happenings: Smith Farm Bridge is complete, the building of a new town website is in process, the Fees and Ordinance Review Committees have been meeting biweekly, the Wastewater Treatment Plant Budget has been finalized, the compactors at the Transfer Station are up and running and tax bills have been mailed.

I have received a few phone calls regarding the mill rate increase on property tax bills. I would like to briefly explain some of the high ticket items that contributed to the increase. These items include: 27 pay periods in the next fiscal year (normally 26), jackets for the ambulance department, MSW and Construction Debris (trash) removal, directional signs, employee benefits, capital improvements, and MSAD 44 assessment. If anyone has any particular questions or would like a copy of the budget, please do not hesitate to reach out to me and I would be happy to answer any questions.

If there is anything I, or the employees of the town, can do for you please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here for you.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing topics they believe to be of interest to the community.

The deadline for letters to the editor is 4:30 p.m. Monday. Letters run on a space-available basis. Those submitted after the deadline will be considered for publication when circumstances permit.

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Our Back Pages

BY DANNA BROWN
NICKERSON

10 years ago: Connie St. Pierre's CD "Between the Branches" was named number one New Age instrumental of 2003 by NPR's "Wind and Wire."

The recently-completed recreational bridge over the Androscoggin River was dedicated during an afternoon ceremony and ribbon cutting.

Births: Fallon Nicole Gammon, Amber Nicole Harris, Benjamin Michael Colella, Jakob Bradley Hooper, Karissa Lee Hotham, Claire Elizabeth Mills, Cameron Jonathon Palmer, Gavin Jonathan Martin, Samantha Beaudoin, Joshua Kayne Boutilier, James Peter Murray, Oliver Irie Barrett

Deaths: The Rev. Joy Gasta, Ronald Alan Dyke, Ruth B. Curtis, T. Richard Carter, Raymond C. Bonney.

20 years ago: Over 300 people had filled out the surveys compiled by Bethel's Comprehensive Plan Committee focusing on issues facing the town and respondents likes and dislikes.

With help from White Mountain AmeriCorps members, the Bethel Conservation Commission completed its project of installing 22 descriptive nature trail signs along part of the Mt. Will trail.

Births: Kailey Rose Kenanagh, Marissa Renee Henderson, Hunter William Penley.

Deaths: Phillip L. Meserve, Jonathan Barton Poor, Arville M. Feener

30 years ago: The Bethel selectmen accepted George Olson's bid of \$18,476 for conversion of the side office space in the Cole Block into a selectmen's meeting room and police office.

The Bethel Savings Bank Board of Trustees presented Kimball Ames an Award of Merit plaque in recognition of his long, devoted and outstanding service.

Births: Sheena Marie Hunt, Deanna Lyn Davis.

Death: Ethel M. Hopkins.

40 years ago: Harold Bean of Farmington was serving as Bethel's interim town manager following the death of Elwyn Dickey.

The Maine State Ballet Company performed at Gould Academy to open the 1975-76 season of the Academy's Guests Artists and Lecturers Program.

50 years ago: Round Mountain Grange sponsored a Harvest Supper at the Grange Hall in Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wardwell were honored on their 25th wedding anniversary at a surprise reception held at the grange hall in Albany.

Deaths: Mrs. Ruth Lois Heath, Horace A. Tibbets.

60 years ago: Mr. and Mrs. Norman Greig purchased the three-story wood building owned by Harold Chamberlain on Main Street. The building, which had a store, a barber shop, and four or more apartments, was razed.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Young bought the Central Taxi and Bowling Alley property from J.B. Chapman.

Deaths: Mrs. Sarah Etta Knight, Mrs. Charlotte C. Inman.

70 years ago: Bears were doing much damage to apple trees in the Bethel area.

An organizational meeting for the Bethel Airport project was held at the Odd Fellows dining hall.

80 years ago: It was announced that the local mill of Stowell-McGregor Corp. would close indefinitely.

Art

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three years teaching math and coaching Nordic skiing at Gould Academy.

Weisberger participated in the New York City Teaching Fellows program, and obtained master's degrees in both education and administration.

After spending several years in Brooklyn, the couple felt the pull of their home state and the strong sense of community they had experienced in the Bethel area. They are now full-time residents of Albany, operating a business from their home.

For now, Kavanaugh said, they have signed a short-term lease with the theater's owner that will allow them to take time to assess the viability of their plans for the space.

Those plans include serving as more than just a movie theater.

"We see its potential as a hub for the community," Kavanaugh said recently. "We want to get people back into the space and get their ideas and feedback on how it can be reused."

Art opening and talk

To that end, Kavanaugh, an artist, is inviting the public to an art opening called "Proposal for an Appalachian Glacier" at the theater this Saturday from 4 to 6 p.m.

His work consists of large installations using paper as the primary medium, created in collaboration with his artistic partner, Stephen B. Nguyen of Brooklyn.

"Phase 2 of our 'Proposal for an Appalachian Glacier' will take form as an event that will include an immersive paper installation that transforms part of [the theater]," Kavanaugh wrote on the Facebook page he created for the event.

"We hope that this project brings people back inside the building and provokes the community to collectively imagine how the space can be brought back to life."

The exhibition at the theater will include examples of the artists' past work, as well as some hypothetical technical drawings and models of what Kavanaugh calls "a very long-term, public art project to transform disused parts of the Eastern landscape."

By inviting people to view the exhibit at the theater, he hopes to draw them into a conversation about other "neglected and often abused land around us."

"We believe that public art, when at its best, helps people to reimagine a disused space or landscape," he said.

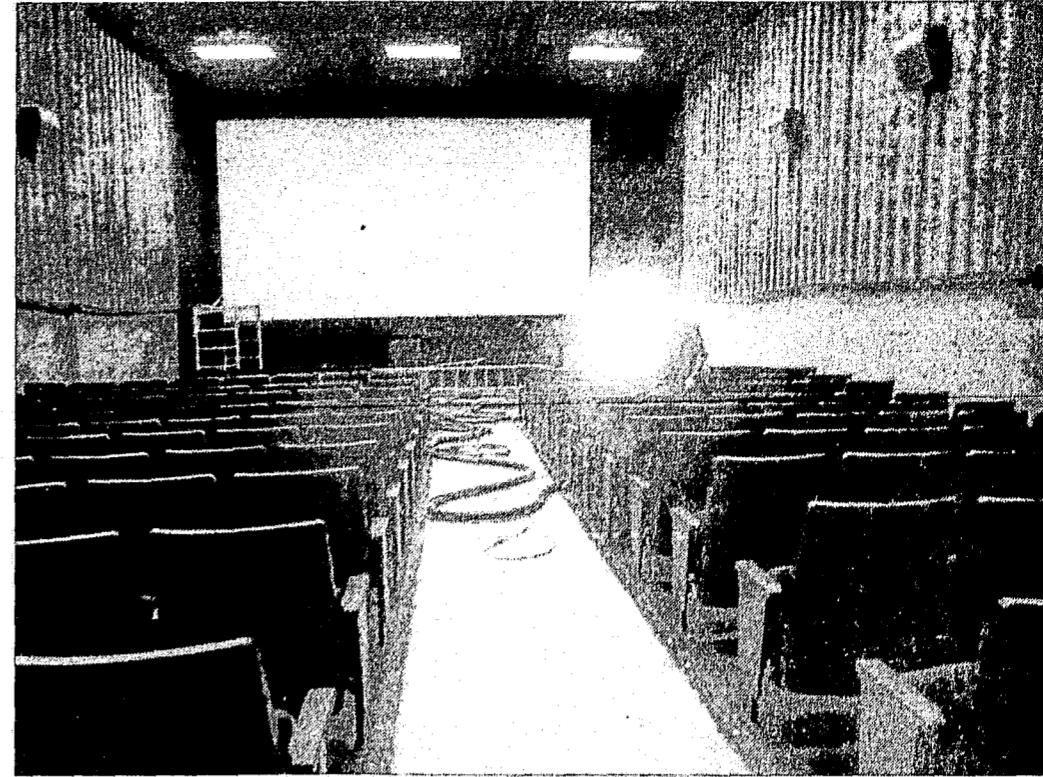
"Imagine a mountaintop mine in West Virginia, a clear-cut forest in Maine, or a vacant shopping mall in upstate New York—all places in the Appalachian landscape denuded of their sense of geologic time and connection to the greater landscape," Kavanaugh wrote on Facebook.

"The 'Glacier' will take



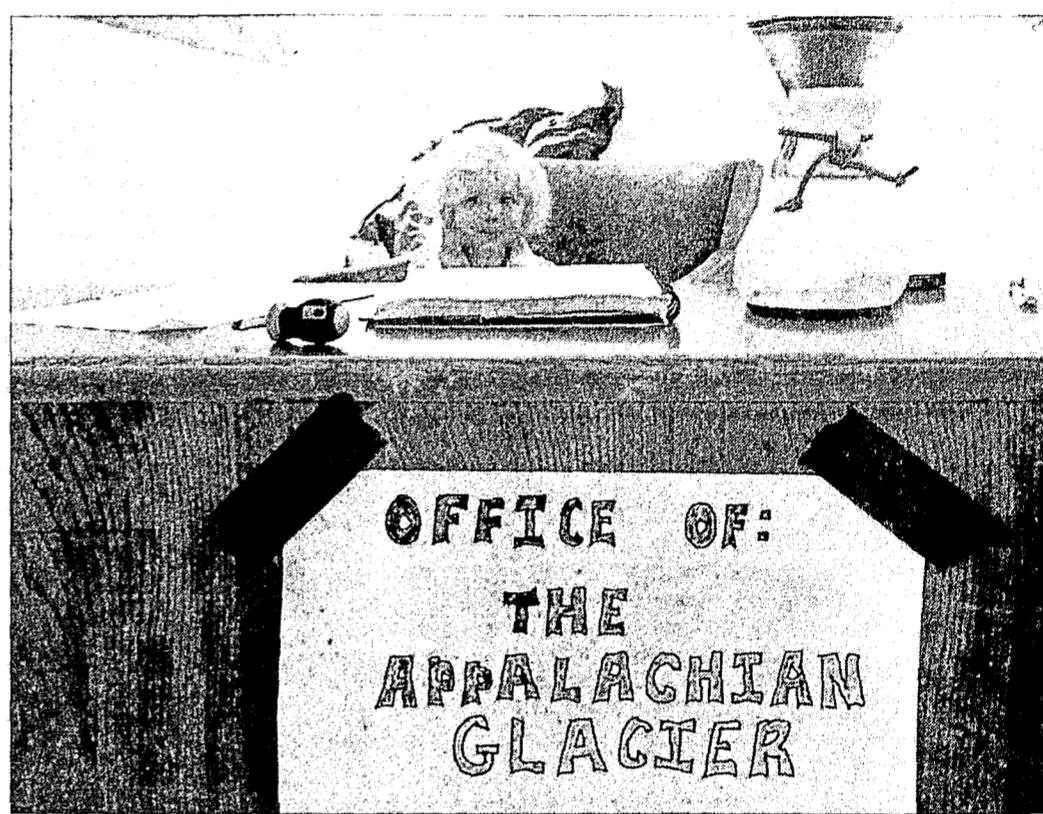
Wade, Beth and Althea.

Submitted photo



A crew from Servicemaster was at Casablanca recently to clean all of the theater seats.

A. Wight Chapman



Twenty-one-month-old Althea Kavanaugh presides over her dad's makeshift office in a corner of the Casablanca Cinema lobby.

Submitted photo

former Casablanca building serving as a hub for the community, with a meeting space that can be used by nonprofit groups to gather in a comfortable, informal setting, as well as a small theater that can be used to show films that pertain to their work.

straight to Blu-ray," he said. Another idea that Kavanaugh and Weisberger have for the theater is the creation of an artisanal marketplace, with space for local and regional craftspeople to sell their wares.

Their spice company is currently run almost entirely as an on-line business, with the exception of one display in a shop in Belfast, but Kavanaugh envisions a Gneiss Spice retail space in the Casablanca building, and even a gourmet popcorn bar offering an assortment of seasonings and toppings.

"We'll keep the two businesses separate, but there will be some fluidity between us as we run both businesses together," he said.

"Meru" screening

Saturday evening

On Saturday evening at 7:45, they plan to screen the critically acclaimed independent film "Meru" in one of Casablanca's small theaters.

The film documents an attempt by three elite American climbers to be the first to scale the 21,000-foot Meru Peak in the Himalayas.

"Meru" won the U.S. Documentary Audience Award at the 2015 Sundance Film Festival, and a Special Jury Prize for Direction at the Nashville Film Festival.

"We have 78 seats," Kavanaugh said. "Tickets will be available at the tail end of our art event, from 5:30 until 7:30 at the theater."

A \$5 donation is suggested to help cover the cost of the film.

Released in the U.S. in August, "Meru" received an "R" rating for language, and some intense scenes may not be suitable for children.

To RSVP for Saturday's art opening (4 - 6 p.m.) or for more information on the event and the screening of "Meru" (7:45 p.m.), visit the Facebook page "Art Opening and Talk" or call 347-628-4290.

Sewer

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part of a structure which, through sale or lease, is intended for human habitation, including single-family and multifamily housing, condominiums, apartments and time-share units."

Some of the objecting property owners also said that under the current system, lodging places with multiple units should have those units charged separately. They suggested the town simply base its rates on usage.

In February selectmen voted to suspend "additional accounts that were generated by the most recent change to the Sewer and Water Ordinance," from April 1 to no later than Dec. 31 of this year, in order to allow for a review process and the possibility of "implementa-

tion of a clearer definition of dwelling unit and any other changes that need to be addressed."

New definitions

In August selectmen presented their new suggested wording, crafted by the Ordinance Review Committee, for the definition of a dwelling unit in the ordinance:

"One or more rooms arranged for complete, independent housekeeping purposes with space for eating, living, and sleeping; facilities for cooking; and provisions for sanitation. (It is not the intent of the code that the list of spaces in the definition of the term 'dwelling unit' is to be all inclusive. It is the intent of the code that the list of spaces is a minimal set of criteria that must be provided to be considered

a dwelling unit and, therefore, the dwelling unit can contain other spaces that are typical to a single-family dwelling.)"

As for dealing with properties with multiple dwelling units, Selectman Don Beninett said then that most towns use a lesser charge for additional units beyond a base unit. "It would probably be fractionalized," he said.

The group of rate payers that has been expressing concern all along about the current definition also objects to the proposed new one. In a Letter to the Editor (see Page 2) this week, Bob Lax proposes the following alternate definition:

"A 'Residential Unit' shall mean either (1) an apartment, room or other area within any struc-

ture that is adapted for overnight accommodation of one or more persons, (2) an apartment, room or other area within any structure that is set aside for periodic occupancy by one or more persons, (3) an apartment, room or other area within any structure that is an exclusive and independent living area within such structure in which the Owner has no right of possession during such periods of occupancy by one or more persons, or (4) a lot of land, leased or owned, upon which a house, mobile home, trailer or other structure suitable for human habitation is placed.

"This new definition of a dwelling or residential unit makes this everyone's problem."

Sewer rates

Selectmen will use the FY16 wastewater treatment plant budget to determine how much money needs to be raised by billing and then calculate a billing rate.

A fees committee comprised of Selectmen Lloyd Sweetser and Peter Southam, and also Carol Boden (who is on the Ordinance Review Committee) is currently studying the rate structure and reworking it.

Town Manager Christine Landes said Monday that the panel had asked her to research several questions, including whether

the fixed costs for the treatment plant could be distributed among all Bethel taxpayers. She said she has learned from the Maine Municipal Association that they can.

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Briefly

State Police ask for help in drug battle

GREENWOOD—Some area towns recently received a letter from the Maine State Police, Troop B, addressed to all residents, "seeking assistance in stopping the flow of illegal drugs into the state of Maine. These drugs are ruining our communities. With the significant increase in out-of-state drug traffickers, we need YOUR help. Area Law Enforcement cannot begin to remove the drugs unless residents step forward and provide us with the necessary information that leads to the arrest and prosecution of the individuals responsible." The letter asks people to contact police with information, and adds that police also want to assist people who are addicted to get help. The phone number is (800) 228-0857, or go to http://maine.gov/dps/msp/criminal_investigation/report_crime/troopb.html

Conviction in unlawful contact case

PARIS — A jury has convicted a Mason Plantation man of two counts of Unlawful Sexual Contact With a Minor under the age of 12. The jury trial lasted two days, beginning Monday, Sept. 28, resulting in a Class B felony conviction for 63-year-old David Hanscom for assaults that took place on or about July 2012. The jury heard testimony from two now 12-year-old girls, who were eight at the time of the incidents of unlawful sexual contact that took place over a two-year time period. Hanscom is awaiting sentencing and is out on a post-conviction bond. He is to have no contact with the victims, who live out of state, or their family. The Class B conviction can hold a maximum sentence of 10 years. An offense of this type involving a minor will require registration as a sexual offender, which is typically included as part of the sentencing.

Last service of season for Newry church

NEWRY—The Newry Community Church, located on Route 26 in the Bear River area of town, will hold its last service of the season Sunday, Oct. 11 at 3:30 p.m. Services will resume in the spring.

European Naiad infestation in Salmon Falls River

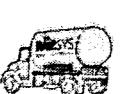
AUGUSTA — Biologists from the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and their New Hampshire counterparts have confirmed a late September discovery of the invasive species European naiad in a 1040-acre impoundment within Salmon Falls River, a border water body with shorelines in Lebanon and Acton and Milton, N.H. Able to overtake native lake habitats by shading and outcompeting ecologically valuable aquatic plants, European naiad grows from an annual seed into 7-foot long plants. Dense infestations can alter water chemistry and oxygen levels. "It is our immediate objective to monitor the extent of this infestation throughout the entire impoundment so that we can consider response options with New Hampshire for 2016," said biologist John McPhedran of the Maine DEP. European naiad has been confirmed in one small Maine Pond in Kittery and in a handful of New Hampshire water bodies this growing season. The invasive plant had been documented previously in two New Hampshire water bodies, but populations declined on their own without management, according to Amy Smagula of the New Hampshire DES. "European naiad has not been a common problem species in this area, though with several new infestations documented in New Hampshire in 2015, that may be about to change." Maine DEP and NH DES have distributed invasive species warning signs to be posted at boat ramps urging boaters to inspect for and remove plant debris.

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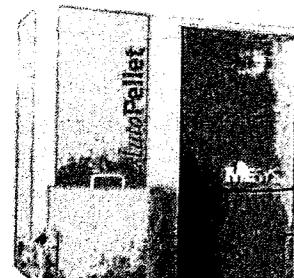
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Newry selectmen talk BANC

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Representatives Amy Scott and Steve Wight from the Bethel Area Nonprofit Collaborative asked Newry selectmen Tuesday to consider enrolling the town in the organization.

Its mission, as described on its website, is supporting Bethel area nonprofits' efforts to improve the quality of place of the Bethel area through educational, cultural, environmental, recreational, economic development, and health and wellness initiatives."

About 30 organizations belong, among them the Chamber of Commerce, the Bryant Pond 4-H Camp, the Mahoosuc Arts Council, Mt. Abram, Northeast Bank, the Mahoosuc Land Trust, Mahoosuc Pathways, the Maine Mineral and Gem Museum, SAD 44, Gould Academy and

Western Mountains Senior College.

Scott, the network facilitator for BANC, said the members meet quarterly and share information, also discussing topics that might not come up in other settings. She said she also works with individual organizations providing input on such areas as fundraising, membership and strategic planning, and BANC offers workshops and training on pertinent topics.

She said the organization is open to hearing about the needs of towns and businesses as well. Greenwood and Bethel are BANC members, represented by Town Managers Kim Sparks and Christine Landes, respectively.

"We're really looking for that interest in engaging with others," said Scott.

Wight said towns sometimes pursue individual

efforts, such as Comprehensive Plans, without realizing there may be an opportunity to work more efficiently by helping each other. He noted that a good example of cooperation is the long-standing mutual aid agreement among area fire departments.

"We're here to ask that you consider becoming a part of [BANC]. We would like to see the town involved," Wight said.

Scott said another facet of BANC's role is to encourage people to serve on area nonprofits and town boards. She noted it is often difficult to find enough people.

Selectman Jim Largess said while he supports the idea of getting the larger community together to address needs, such a process can be frustrating because "when do you get to what's next? When do you

finish? There's no finish line often."

The selectmen did not make a decision at the meeting regarding joining BANC.

In other business Tuesday, Town Administrator Loretta Powers said Newry has made its last payment on a ladder truck for the Fire Department. The truck was purchased 10 years ago.

Selectmen also voted for a new \$3 fee for individuals to dispose of propane tanks at the Tri Town Transfer Station.

Cemetery Committee member Bob Lowell reported on recent tree clearing work at the Sunday River Cemetery. Selectmen also further discussed adding new veterans' monuments to the one at the Town Office, and the need to recruit members to a committee to oversee the project.

Gneiss

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of 2013, they decided to relocate to Albany full-time and move the spice business into the studio space in the barn. Their spices and salts—more than 150 different varieties—are purchased in bulk from Oregon-based Mountain Rose Herbs Co., which grows them organically and annually wins a state "Ethics in Business" award.

Gneiss Spice donates a minimum of five percent of its profits to charities, and invites customers to help them decide which ones to support.

As for the company name, Weisberger explains on her Etsy page that gneiss (pronounced "nice") is a kind of metamorphic rock, and the friend who inspired her by creating a spice rack of her own was once her college geology partner.

"And, I was also teaching Earth Science in the NYC public schools, so you could say I had rocks on the brain," she adds.

Find Gneiss Spice's on Facebook, purchase their products on Amazon, or visit their Etsy shop at www.etsy.com/shop/gneiss spice.

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the name, "Blue."

Veterinarian Dr. Rob Gorrell operated on the dog Monday to close a deep wound on the right side of his face and remove dead tissue across his muzzle. She estimated that the tape would have had to have been on him for at least four to five days to cause the damage it did, with the dog being unable to eat or drink during that time. She also estimated the tape had been off about 10 days before the dog came to BAH.

He was thin and not very strong when he arrived, and after surgery weighed about 40 pounds. That should

change, said veterinary technician Kathy Jo Farren, because he is eating heartily.

Just before his surgery Monday, he was running around playing with one of Farren's own dogs.

He might possibly have more surgery, but in any case she said his future looks bright.

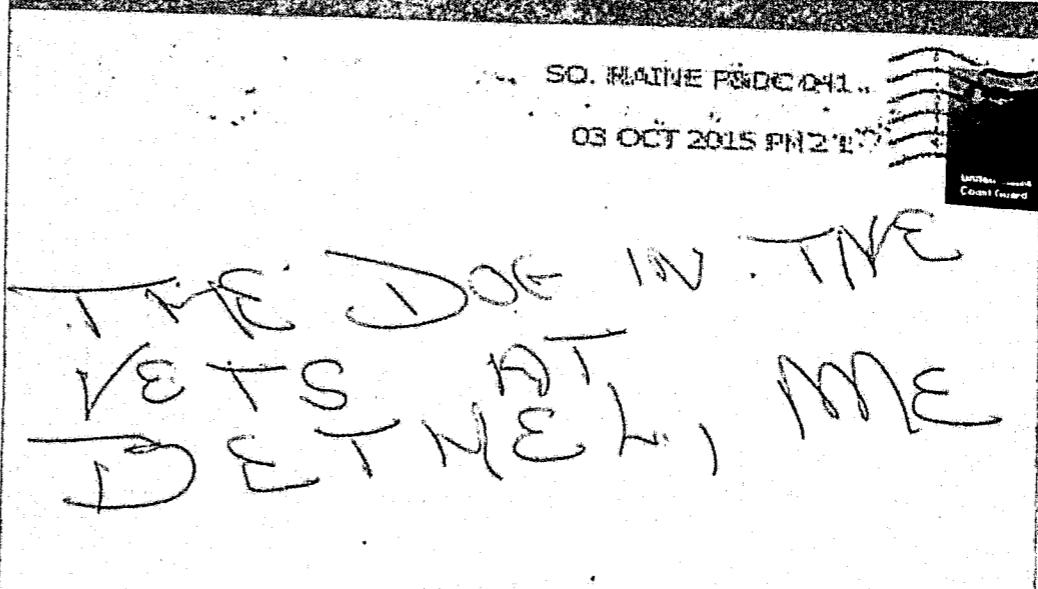
On Monday afternoon, as he recovered from the surgery and the effects of anesthesia, Blue's first toy arrived from a well-wisher - a squeaky plush animal.

Farren said Blue has a wonderful disposition. "He loves everybody," she said.

Since his story was posted on Facebook Friday, the hospital has received donations from as far away as Florida to pay for his care, and many offers of adoption.

Farren said he will likely be adopted out to a local family who can give him the active life he needs.

The BAH now has sufficient funds to cover Blue's care and any money left over or received in the future for him - will go to the care of other animals who are victims of abuse or in need of medical care. "Blue's legend will live on and he will help other animals in need," said Farren.



The address for the Bethel Animal Hospital on this envelope containing a donation for Blue's care was very general - but it found its way to "the vets."

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The Way I See It

BY SHARON BOUCHARD



I found some great deals at a church rummage sale over the weekend. I just can't resist buying a lot of stuff when the prices are so low and the merchandise is so good.

I always end up buying a lot of things that I think I absolutely can't live without. Then I find I can live without them just fine since I don't use or wear half of what I bought and end up donating the items back to the church for their next rummage sale. Because I thought the things were of such great value the first time I have been known to buy the same things twice.

At this rummage sale I bought a bunch of nurses' or doctors' scrub tops. I explained to a friend that I found scrubs very comfortable to sleep in. She said that really wasn't of interest to her because she sleeps in the nude.

I guess I shouldn't have been shocked because I'm sure there are a lot of people who sleep that way. However, this lady is in her late 70s and I guess I figured most women of that age for flannel nighties.

It occurred to me that we assume a lot about older people and their lifestyles. For example, I often hear younger people complain how slowly older people drive. I'm sure that's true in some cases and it's probably a good idea in some cases, but I'm an older person with a heavy foot and drive like a bat out of you

know where.

My grandsons assumed that any music I would listen to would be classified as "old fogey" music. They were quite shocked recently when they were playing a game called Guitar Hero and I not only knew just about every rock 'n roll song I also got up and danced to them.

Of course I need a little resuscitation after and I couldn't get out of bed the

It's pretty easy to stereotype us senior ladies as knitting in a rocking chair and watching Lawrence Welk.

next morning without considerable effort, but that's beside the point. The point is that just because I have a fair amount of gray hair it doesn't mean I can't get down and boogie with the best of them. I just need a little more time to recover than the younger people.

It's pretty easy to stereotype us senior ladies as knitting in a rocking chair and watching Lawrence Welk. I do like sitting in a rocking chair on occasion, but I don't knit or watch television; I read and some of the books I read are pretty gosh darn racy. I'm sure my grandsons would be quite shocked about that!

The fact is that some of

the coolest, hippest and most energetic people I know are older than me and I admire them and that includes my nude sleeping friend.

I wouldn't be at all surprised if there are some silver-haired sweeties who can beat the pants off of their grandkids playing video games. And I wouldn't be at all shocked if there are a few senior darlings who listen to rap music, thought I might question their taste.

Everything I said about the older ladies also applies to the older men as well. I know some men well into their 80s doing work that some younger men would have a hard time keep up with. I have no doubt that there are more than a few older nude sleeping, fast driving, video game playing, rap music fans exist among us.

It's pretty easy for younger people to assume that those on Social Security are sedentary and a bit dull witted, but that is just so far from the truth. Sure, we may go to bed a bit earlier and have more aches and pains than our younger counterparts, but some of us still have a lot of vitality and some great stories to tell, even if we tell the same ones over and over.

Just don't sell us seniors short because we might shock you with some of the things we say and do and the way I see it, just to prove that point I think tonight I think I'll sleep in the nude.

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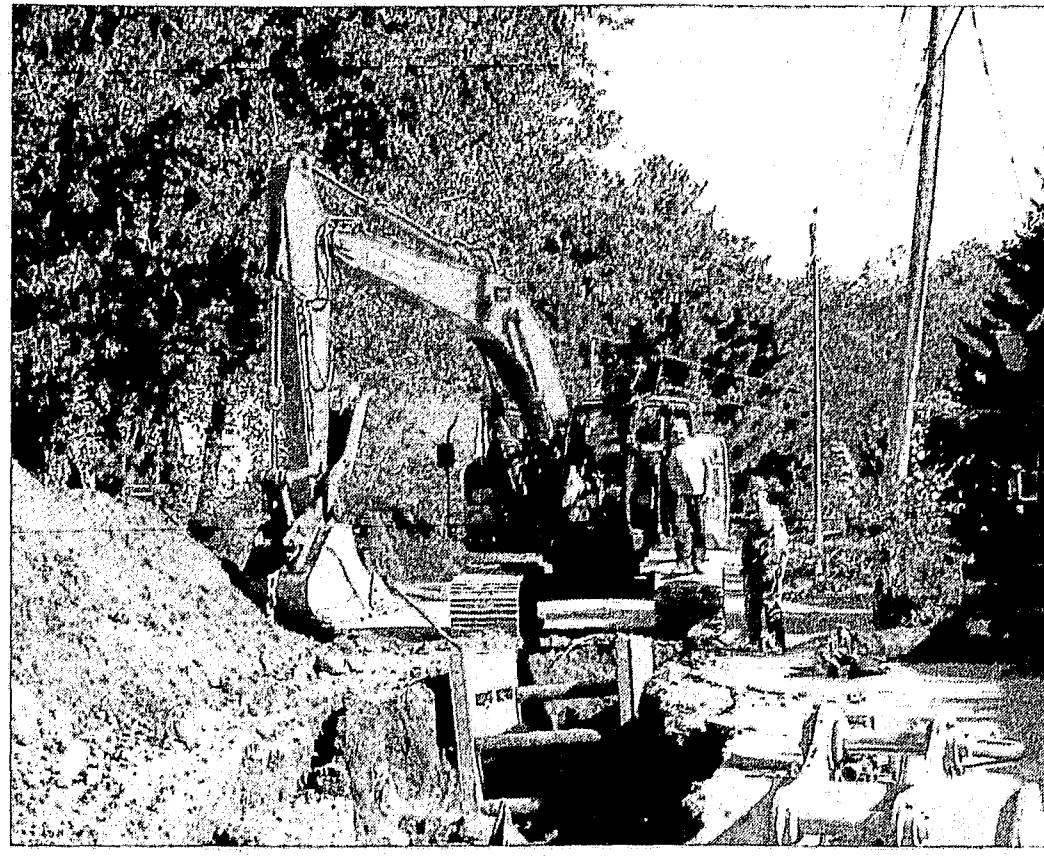
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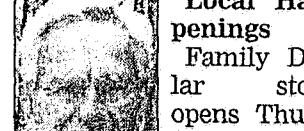
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Work started last week on the Philbrook Street sewer main replacement. Swasey Excavation from Andover is finishing up their first day on the job. D. Bennett

Bethel

By Donald G. Bennett



Local Happenings
Family Dollar store opens Thursday, Oct. 8, at 8 a.m. Truck-loads of merchandise have been arriving for the past 10 days. Inside the store employees have been very busy handling all the incoming goods and getting merchandise onto into the right shelves.

Jamboree-ing with the Jeeps this weekend meant driving through plenty of mud along the trails. Saturday p.m. saw a long lineup of muddy jeeps with drivers waiting for their turn at the hoses at the Telstar Bus Garage.

Ethel Bisbee School in the News Again. In responding with Charlie Heino lately, he wrote that when Ethel made it public that she planned to retire, we were all thinking about how to honor her for her many years of service. It was my suggestion to rename the school for her. This would be a long lasting gift to her. If my memory is correct I got Guy Parker to make the sign and Bill Luxton and Bill Ward to install it.

As a historical comment on the 1925 Ethel Bisbee School, the really historic school in town was the 1894 brick grammar school. (It was torn down years before the save the old movement was started.) This building stood for the transition of the town school system from district schools (up to 24 schools at one time) to a more consolidated school

system. The brick school permitted the consolidation of two town schools, one on Mechanic Street, facing Paul and Sally Bodwell's home, and the other now the Pines of the Bethel Inn. Philbrook Street

Swasey Excavation, Andover, started work last week on what will be the replacement of the sewer main piping on Philbrook Street. This work is part of the Sewer Capital Plan. See more about the history of Bethel's sewer system below.

A Sears Roebuck house in Bethel

Reliable sources told me that the house on the Songo Road which is being torn down in a piece by piece process was originally a Sears Roebuck house. In the 1920s and 30s Sears had a number of house packages with designs of that era. Some of the house plans in Oxford County newspapers were similar to the Sears home plans.

Clean Water: Bethel's 1972, 1988 and Bethel Station (1997) Wastewater Challenges The debate on how residents and businesses can best and equitably pay for operating the Town's wastewater system needs to take into account the simple fact that clean, nonpolluting water is the only legal way wastewater can enter the river. Paying to own the treatment system is one thing but paying to operate it is another. So if you are a water customer/user you need to think about paying for disposal of your wastewater and the Town's obligation to remove storm water.

Big, big bucks were in-

volved in these removal and treatment jobs from 1972 till now. First 1972: The Federal Clean Water Act was passed in 1972. Pollution of the Androscoggin River was not the trigger to environmental cleanup but it seems that pollution of Chesapeake Bay was a main influence on this movement. In 1972 for Bethel the first step was what amounted to a crash program to build a sewage treatment plant. This took over two years to complete.

Then only 14 years later the Department of Environmental Protection issued an order on Aug. 2, 1988 which found the town in violation of its wastewater discharge license and to cease further connections until the sewer plant was rehabilitated and upgraded and brought into compliance and until the Town committed itself to remove the excessive surface water and groundwater in the sewer lines by replacing them.

1972 Building a Treatment Plant

On May 22, 1972 ground was broken for constructing Bethel's first waste water treatment plant. Attending the big event were: Director Mahlon Delong of the Farmers Home Administration, representatives of the Environmental Improvement Commission, the Bridge Construction Company and Edward C. Jordan Company, contractors. Funding this project came from a loan by the FHA of \$235,000 and a \$40,000 grant. Participation by the Environmental Protection Agency and the State of Maine amounted to \$530,000. The 1972 system would serve 289 families and 61 businesses. As of today, Bethel Water District records show that 521 connections are sewer users, an increase of 171 connections. Additional funding arrangements occurred in the following years up through 1976.



At Family Dollar Store Courtney Stowe was one of many employees involved in placing merchandise on the new store's shelving. D. Bennett

The South Paris office of the FHA would oversee the project. February and March 1972 was devoted to the town acquiring land and right of ways for the treatment center from the current owners with a deadline of April 1 for completion.

Jumping to the 1989-1990 situation: initially the DEP had fined the Town \$35,000 which was later negotiated down to \$14,000. Because of poor design of the sewer plant and leaky conditions of the sewer lines, large volumes of improperly treated wastewater had to be passed into the river particularly during heavy storms. So besides work to upgrade the sewer plant, the Town had to replace storm drains and sewer lines - a task that could have taken over \$3 million. The first stage would cover the area of Mason, Spring, Elm, High and Main streets. In 1990 Bethel was awarded a Community Development Block Grant of \$579,940, a Farmers Home Administration grant of \$186,000 and low interest FHA loan of \$144,000.

For more information about the 1990s wastewater system upgrade development and finance it will be available at <http://www.thebetheljournals.info/Sewer.htm>. This information is contained in the annual Town Reports. The above however does not describe the additional sewer and storm water pipes/infrastructure installed for the planned Bethel Station buildings. Whatever formula seems best for water customers and sewer users, the Town cannot continue to run a deficit year after year.

Bethel

By Nancy Brown

On Sunday, I made my first visit to Zero Sort recycling at the Tri-Town Transfer Station in Bethel. I really don't mind

sorting, and I know the difference between tin and aluminum, so I was a little skeptical of the necessity of the new facility. However, when I lived in Norfolk, Va., we had curb-side zero-sort recycling and it encouraged thousands of people to recycle. I was impressed with the new facility here. First of all, the Transfer Station is cleaner than I have ever seen it. Bill Shimamura took the time to explain the process, which is quite simple. But I was totally won over when he explained that we can now recycle plastics numbered 1-7. This means that containers that hold yogurt, cottage cheese, margarine, butter, Cool Whip, and countless other food products can now be recycled. That's a huge step for us. Like most Americans, I was throwing away hundreds of these every year because there was no place to recycle them. What can't be recycled now? Plastic bags. A different process is used to recycle plastic bags and most recycling centers don't accept them. My mother and I buy wood pellets and every bag is stamped: "Please Recycle This Bag." The closest places that will recycle plastic bags are the Wal-Mart stores in Gorham and Oxford.

The cold weather has escalated from frosty to icy. On Sunday morning at 8:30 there was still a coating of ice on the windows of my car. The frost killed the bamboo in our backyard, an event I look forward to every year. My aunt planted the ornamental bamboo in the late 1950s, and, as most people know, bamboo is fast growing and stubborn. There are herbicides, which if used consistently will kill bamboo, but

we live at the edge of wetlands and forest which are home to turtles, frogs, foxes, coyotes, deer, and other wildlife. Chemicals are a bad option. Occasionally I wade into the bamboo and cut it down, but usually I wait for the frost to kill it and drag away the stalks. The bamboo fields seem to be a good breeding ground and wintering-over spot for ticks. I need to mention that my aunt also planted other beautiful plants and flowers that we still love and cherish, including white and purple violets and mint.

There are more upcoming celestial events this year, but it's going to be hard to beat the stunning Perseid meteor showers in August and the Blood Moon last month. There are two meteor showers in October: the Draconids this week and the Orionids later in the month. The Draconids will peak tonight and tomorrow night, Oct. 8 and 9. Unlike most meteor showers, these are more visible in the evening and before midnight. Try watching for shooting stars just after sunset. Usually there are only a handful of meteors per hour, but every once in a while, the Draconids explode and there are hundreds of meteors per hour. The Orionids will peak around Oct. 22. Astronomers can't quite pin down the exact time the Orionids will peak. Watch the skies for them between midnight and dawn a few days before and after Oct. 22. These are fast moving meteors that occasionally leave trains and sometimes produce brilliant fireballs. The skies should be dark after midnight that week, meaning good meteor viewing as long as it is not cloudy.

OCSD Patrol Log

Tuesday, Sept. 29

At 9:13 a.m. Deputy Matt McDonnell responded to Telstar High School in Bethel for a juvenile problem.

At 3:15 p.m. a report was received of two subjects on Church Street in Bethel drinking, yelling and swearing. Deputy Dere MacDonald was assigned.

Thursday, Oct. 1

At 9:11 a.m. the Criminal Investigation Division conducted interviews in the Bethel area regarding a death.

Monday, Oct. 5

At 10:29 a.m. Deputy Dere MacDonald responded to a two-vehicle property damage crash on Main Street in Bethel.

At 3:15 p.m. a report was received of children being threatened on Walkers Mills Road in Bethel and administration would not do anything about it. Deputy Dere MacDonald planned a follow up the next day.

OCSD Jail Log

Sept. 29, 9:57 a.m.: Maggie M. Murillo, 28, of Albany, operating after suspension; by Deputy Dere MacDonald in Albany.

Sept. 30, 1:49 p.m.: Joshua W. Appleby, 31, of Woodstock, failure to appear; by Deputy Willie Nelson in Woodstock.

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East Bethel

By Wally Ritz

My friends, I really feel and think that you need to be there more to help and support my column. Come on, call 507-1008 or e-mail heinrichcracker@gmail.com with whatever. Please, keep things close and local to love, support and be there for each other.

Another shooting at a school!!! How much longer will we make excuses? Dig in your hearts and hopefully say "Enough."

So, this one is short and sweet. Let me know what you prefer. Do you want long winded things about my life and surroundings or your news?

Till next week.

West Bethel

By Karen Paul

Thursday I walked my dad's property from the Flat Road down to the Pleasant River. The river was so swollen by recent rain that it was up over the banks and backed up into the road. I was not able to walk to the furthest point of land.

Rodney Jordan came home from Norway Rehab Thursday and is doing well. He is enjoying cribbage games with friends. If you would like to play cribbage, please let us know.

Moose are much like humans, they are not normally aggressive unless hungry tired or harassed. Do be especially careful this season as the males are in the "rut" actively looking for a mate and fighting off other males, which makes these 1,200 pound mammals quite a threat to anything or anyone in their path. The jackmanmaine.org website suggests that "You can identify when a moose might attack if the long hairs on its hump are raised and its ears laid back." Sounds like some horses I've known.

Monday was Woodsmen's Day at the Fryeburg Fair and my friend Rosemary asked me to join her for a day of exploration and fun. As we walked through the draft horse barn I noted out loud that I really loved the mixed smell of sawdust, hay, and horse poop. The lady in front of me turned around and gave me a most disgusted look.

We enjoyed watching women competing in the skillet throw. It was funny watching parents inside the pens at Old McDonald's Farm with their kids trying to feed the baby goats. There were numerous live musical performances including three small girls singing a Taylor Swift song on stage. The weather started out chilly, but all in all it was a beautiful Fryeburg day.

The fall colors are arriving at last and I did get out for another short hike on Sunday afternoon. We hiked again on the Mt. Crag trail in Shelburne and it was so clear we watched the cars going up and down the auto road on Mt. Washington.

Andover

By Jane C. Rich

If you haven't had your flu shot for this year, consider the Andover Flu Shot Clinic to be held on Tuesday Oct. 22 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Town Hall. There is a \$25 fee for uninsured persons. Others should bring their Maine Care or Medicare card or other proof of insurance.

The Andover Elementary School and the Andover Historical Society are joining forces on Oct. 18 for the Great Pumpkin challenge. If you make a great pumpkin dish, pie, muffin, donut and want to have town bragging rights, enter the contest. Entries must be delivered by 10 a.m. at the Historical Building or you may bring your entry to AES on the Friday before the end of the school day. Also on sale that day for \$5 will be containers full of pumpkin goodies. Profits from this event will go to the Andover Parent Teacher Group. Entry forms for the contest are available at the school or around town.

On Saturday, Oct. 24 the First Congregational Church will be sponsoring a rummage and bake sale at the CEB from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. Great treasures can be found there as well as wonderful baked goods from the many great cooks in our community.

The Andover Motor Speedway will be in full action on Saturday, Oct. 10 for lawn tractor racing enthusiasts with registration between 12 and 12:30 p.m. Racing will start at 1 p.m. This is the Fall Classic by popular demand because this event is so enjoyed on Olde Home Day, the first Saturday in August. The event is being sponsored by the Andover Recreation Committee and committee member Esau Cooper can be contacted at 357-2648 for further information.

The Snow Valley Sno-Goers will be hosting a dinner for landowners which will also be a public supper on Oct. 17 at 5:30 p.m. in the CEB of the First Congregational Church.

The Appalachian Trail brings a lot of people into Andover during the summer months. Hikers patronize our local businesses and attend our churches. Some hikers arrive in town without the ability to patronize our bed and breakfast businesses. Sometimes in dire circumstances hikers are camping on the bandstand. There is an idea floating around about building a lean-to at the Grimaldi field as a refuge for hikers. This would be a great way for Andover to become a hiker-friendly town and make us a stop for those on the trail as well as provide a service to others. Think about it. If you have comments, I'd be willing to listen especially if they're positive and let others know through this column. You can remain anonymous if you choose.

A total of 21 bear have been tagged at Mills Market Tagging Station, five of those in the last week.

On Sunday evening the Upton Union Church closed its summer season of worship services with a com-



As part of the recent Great Maine Outdoor Weekend, the Woodstock Elementary School held a series of activities on the school's nature trail. Here, kindergartner Owen Gaul and his dad, Randy, check out the scavenger hunt.

A. Wight Chapman



WES kindergartner Oliver Rand also participated in the scavenger hunt on the school's nature trail as part of the Great Maine Outdoor Weekend.

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munion service. Although the church was chilly, there's no heat in the building at this point, several hardy souls showed up for worship with sweaters and jackets. Following worship a quick dash to the car and turning on the heat alleviated the chill. Thanks to Linda Dyer for being our organist for most of the summer along with Upton part time resident Bob Hudson. It has been a great pleasure for me to serve this congregation as their Summer Supply Minister.

Bryant Pond

By Alice Hoyt

Sympathy is extended to the family of Mary Billings. Judith Grover Tent 17 DUVCW will meet on Monday, Oct. 12 at the Grange Hall. Please bring your candy for the Veteran's Home to hand out on Halloween to this meeting.

The Woodstock Historical Society will meet on Saturday, Oct. 10 at 6 p.m. Franklin Grange 124 will meet on Monday, Oct. 19 at the Grange Hall at 7 p.m. Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning Worship at 10:30, there will be no evening service this week as there is a combined service at the Newry Church at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service, Bloom for girls 13 to 18 and Foundations for guys 15 and up. On Thursday, Oct. 8 (today) at noon, Ladies' Fellowship Luncheon at Kowloon Village in Bethel. Saturday, Oct. 10, Men's Fellowship Breakfast at 7 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Tuesday, Oct. 13, Ladies' Coffee Cup Devotions at 9 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Oct. 15 at 10 a.m., Ladies' Fit-in-Fellowship at Bethel walking path.

The Whitman Memorial Library program for October will be the third Thursday, Oct. 15 at 2 p.m. Guest speaker will be Kevin Manix from WCSH 6 TV.

He will be speaking about the book he and his wife wrote,

"Weathering Shame."

He

will speak awhile, then there will be a question and answer period. Public is invited at no charge. Light refreshments will be served.

Thursday, Oct. 8 (today) at 2:30, the Library Board will meet at the Library. The public is welcome to attend if they wish. If you have ideas to share for the use of the Library, they would welcome them.

Gilead

By Lin Chapman

Our first frost of the season arrived in Gilead last Sunday. Usually by now there has been a frost that required the covering of our tomato plants. We did not have to worry this year since our plants have already given up.

My brother, Steve McLain, did have a couple of tomato plants in pots that he tried to save from the frost.

Lise McLain attended the SeniorsPlus conference at the Grand Summit Hotel at Sunday River this past week.

Norm Buttrick was at his house on the Bog Road this past week. Hugh went down to help him out with some painting on the ell of the house.

Tim Chapman arrived Sunday to help Hugh finish painting on the end of the house. The big challenge is that it is the end where the electrical wires are attached to the house. When that area is done, it finishes the front of the house, and it will probably finish up the painting project for this year.

Our granddaughter, Sidney Chapman, is having a great time playing soccer this year. I understand she is using some of her ice hockey skills to compete on the field.

Peter Risbara stopped by the house last Friday and dropped off some shelled beans. Good stuff. He was in town to do some work on the Gilead House. He said that he has been busy working with everything from plumbing, to 2x4s and even carbon monoxide de-

tectors.

We got a very nice note from Joanne Stewart of Portland this past week.

She and her husband, Robert, are great supporters of

the GHS.

Gilead Historical Society

The weather is getting too cold to set out on the corner. Our last official weekend will be Columbus Day unless it is really too cold.

There is no heat in either building so it is not very pleasant to stay there for any length of time. Maybe someday there will be!!!

We will still be available to open up the buildings on request if we know ahead of time. There are leaf peepers who stop by to take pictures and Hugh opens up for them when we see them parked in front of the buildings.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

Hanover

By Maria Holloway

Festival of Fall Saturday

Don't miss an opportunity to gather with neighbors and friends at the 8th Annual Festival of Fall, this coming Saturday, October 10 under the Hanover Picnic Pavilion. The Festival will feature live music by Lisa Ferguson, daughter of Lynne Ramsey, who was a big hit last year with her original songs and acoustic guitar. Lisa is an accomplished musician and teacher of music.

Other Festival attractions include the Snack Bar serving awesome homemade chili, a Yard Sale, Book Sale, Craft Sale, Bakery Sale and Plant Sale. Take a chance at winning one of the many different Theme Baskets made by the Library Trustees and Friends.

Festivities begin at 9 a.m. and will conclude with the Basket Raffle at 2 p.m.

New bookshelves

Many thanks go out to Gerry Emery of Hanover who crafted and donated the new bookshelves for the children's section of the library. The older shelves were quite narrow and could no longer accommodate the large collection of children's books. Thank you also to Bob Susbury who did the finish work of sanding, staining and installing the new shelves. They look beautiful! Your efforts are truly appreciated.

NAMI Maine

Dottie Adams and her team of 23 people walked the 3+ mile loop at Casco Bay with Team Foothills to support the National Alliance for Mental Illness (NAMI) Maine.

The Team raised nearly \$2000. All of the money raised at this walk will stay in Maine and over half of the money is targeted for use in NAMI Western Mountains to support education and advocacy programs for persons, families, friends and caregivers of persons living with mental illness in this region of the state.

If you wish to donate or would like further information about NAMI programs, please contact Dottie at 207-364-2197.

Thank you, Dottie, for your dedication and commitment to this program.

Ben Byam's Challenge

You can pledge to Ben Byam's weight loss challenge as we continue to hold ongoing efforts to raise money for the Andy Barlow project. Pledge sheets are at the Town Office and Library.

Ben's goal is to lose 30 pounds by November 21. Stay tuned here for updates. Total funds raised by our local community to support the Andy Project now exceed \$16,000!

Got news, comments, questions? Please email HanoverMeNews@gmail.com

Newry

By Doug Webster

I finally made it to the transfer station this week. It seems like a great setup.

Very user friendly,

and the staff was very helpful. The only thing that I noticed was that the staff could and should have a source of water. First of all for sani-

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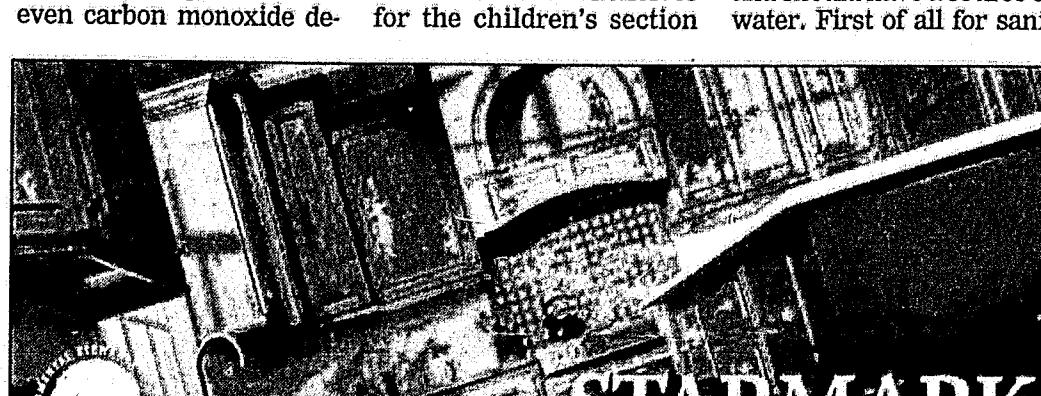
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tation, drinking water, and a hose/pressure washer to keep it clean under the garbage container. After they compact the garbage, I saw that it comes out the bottom onto the concrete pad. I think it would be best if the crew has some way to wash it, so they can keep it clean. It might require drilling a well, but I guess that's the cost of doing business.

I try not to talk about myself, but I will, only because I had a great weekend camping on Aziscohos Lake the last weekend of September. The weather was perfect for camping, but not so good for fishing. Instead of blaming on my fishing skills, I will blame it on the low water and no recent rain at the time. Also the moon cycle, but I must say that the spectacular full moon and eclipse were well worth it.

It's always good to see the jeepers around for their weekend of riding and activities. I have to admit that I really would like to have a jeep. My daughters agree, but please don't tell my wife! That's all for now.

Locke's Mills

By Amy Wight Chapman

Cold nights and colder early mornings are here! We've had sunrise temperature readings in the high 20s for a couple of days in a row now, and ice on the cars almost every morning.

I picked about 50 winter squash after the first light frost, mostly buttercup and about a dozen butternut. Buttercup is a good "keeper," so after being cured for a week or two, those will go into the root cellar to be used throughout the winter. I'll use as many of the butternut ones, which are delicious but don't store as well, as soon as I can, and probably peel, cube, and freeze the rest raw.

On Sunday I made pureed butternut squash and apple soup. Other than an onion and a few seasonings, the squash and apples are about the only ingredients, so it came almost entirely from our backyard.

I also made pumpkin yeast rolls to go with the soup, but I confess than I cheated and used canned pumpkin instead of cooking one of the ones from the garden. The recipe came from the King Arthur flour website, and was really easy. It called for just dumping all of the ingredients into the bowl of my KitchenAid mixer and kneading with the dough hook. When I make bread, I normally dissolve and proof the yeast, then add the other ingredients one at a time, but I figured I'd give this dump-everything-together method a try, and it came out just fine.

We're having a run of great fall weather this week for the Fryeburg Fair, while at the same time some of the southern states are suffering the effects of what is being called a "thousand-year rain event." Tony's sister Betsy lives south of Columbia, S.C., where rainfall has totaled over 18 inches, streets are flooded, dams are being breached, and buildings are collapsing. The loss of property is bad enough, but the storm has also cost several lives. Betsy's home is located on a hill and hasn't been flooded, although she

said there have been trees down across her road.

Cassie Mason, of the Mason-Bancroft Team of the Maine Real Estate Network, wrote a blog post about Greenwood this week, and did a great job describing some of the things that make our town special. You can read it on the Mason-Bancroft Team website or Facebook page, or on the Greenwood Historical Society or town Facebook pages.

I promised an update on my big fall cleaning project, and I'm happy to report that so far I've sorted through most of the contents of our basement, barn, and front porch, all places that had become "catch-all" storage spots, as well as most of our closets.

In the process, I've donated several boxes of clothing to a thrift store, given away a lot of extra stuff on our "free table," and taken at least four pick-up loads to the transfer station. Next up: my sewing and craft supplies, much of which I haven't used in years. It's hard to give away things like yards and yards of fabric that I know I paid good money for once upon a time, but if I haven't used it by now, I'm probably not going to, so I hope to continue being ruthless as I go through the boxes.

I'm hoping to attend the Howe Lecture at the Bethel Historical Society's Moses Mason House at 1:30 on Saturday, Oct. 17. This year's presenter is Emerson W. Baker, Professor of History at Salem State University and author of *A Storm of Witchcraft: The Salem Trials and the American Experience*. He will discuss his research on the 1692 "witchcraft hysteria" in Salem. Sounds like a great topic for the upcoming Halloween season!

E-mail your news to amy.w.chapman@gmail.com, leave a message at 875-5511, or contact me on Facebook.

South Woodstock

By Lorraine Dillingham

Monday, Oct. 5 1:15 p.m.

Hope everyone has a great day at the Fryeburg Fair today, Woodsman Day is always a great day.

Condolences to the families of Margaret H. (Peg) Davis, Bethany A. Stanhope, Eleanor A. Maxim. Thoughts and prayers to each family member.

We enjoyed a nice meal at the Bethel Alliance Church last Wednesday evening, it was so good seeing Doris Mills, Becky Keen, Debbie Perry and Paul and Lyn Carey. I knew some folks by sight but not by name. It's always good seeing each one.

Took a turkey out to thaw Wednesday afternoon, he was still frozen inside as we prepared him for cooking today, got him stuffed and he has been in cooking since 11:15. He will be ready by supper, with potatoes, fresh squash and homemade turkey gravy and cranberry sauce. Yogi will also enjoy turkey sandwiches for his lunches this week.

Yogi mowed the lawn and back 40 for the last time this year. The deer are loving the fresh cut grass and they come out to eat several times a day.

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Charlotte Hobbs Library fun day

The Charlotte Hobbs Memorial Library is joining with Pietree Orchard to offer a fun day on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The orchard, which is located on the Waterford Road in Sweden, will be the site of the family activities.

Among the activities offered will be a hay maze to conquer, a wagon ride through the orchard and lots of games such as apple bean bag toss, a ladder ball game, a ring toss, chess, and checkers.

The cost for the activities will be \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 4 to 12. For the \$8 ticket, the adults will get a bag of 8 freshly baked mini donuts, a pint of apple cider, a 1/4 peck of pick-your-own apples, plus all the games and hayride that are open to everyone. For the \$4 ticket, the children will get a bag with 3 mini donuts, a piece of fruit (apple or pear) and a mini cup of cider. Children 3 and under are free.

Tickets can be purchased only at the Charlotte Hobbs Memorial Library on Main Street in Lovell and will be available through Friday, Oct. 16 at the library. Tickets will not be sold at Pietree Orchard.

In addition to hosting this event, Pietree Orchard will be donating to the library 10 percent of all sales at the orchard that Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 17 and 18. This will include items purchased in the store such as food, pizza, books, and gifts, as well as pick-your-own apples.

For further information, contact the Charlotte Hobbs Memorial Library at 925-3177.

Wife Carrying this weekend

Sunday River Ski Resort will host the 16th annual North American Wife Carrying Championship at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10.

It's part of the resort's annual Fall Festival, Director of Communications Sarah Devlin said. The festival runs from Oct. 9 to 11.

Fifty preregistered couples will traverse a 278-yard obstacle course made up of log hurdles, sand traps, and a water hazard known as the Widow Maker.

Sunday River employee Kathryn Castaldo said husbands must carry their wives on their back the entire race. The fastest two teams from the qualifying round compete against each other in a final round. The winning couple will receive the wife's weight in beer, five times her weight in cash, and an entry into the World Championship in Finland the following summer.

Other events include a Kids Pumpkin Pie Eating Contest at 3 p.m. Saturday and the 32nd annual Blue Mountain Arts and Crafts Fair at the South Ridge Lodge.

The Pumpkin Pie Eating contest invites 10 children under the age of 14 to see who can eat a pumpkin pie the fastest. There is no entry fee for the contest.

The Fall Festival will also host the 2nd annual New England Corn Hole Championship at 10 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 11.

Other events are: Wine tent on the patio of South Ridge, noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10; Sunday Bloody Sunday tent, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11; Scenic chairlift rides on the chondola, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday throughout Sunday; Children's games and pony rides by the Lewiston High School swim team, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. For more information, visit the events page at sundayriver.com.

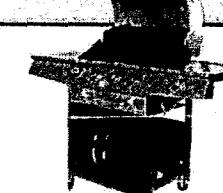
had not turned the heat one as of yet. He was due after I left. I've just become a lightweight. Got to get my body re-acclimated to the cold.

This weekend I attended a Sukkoth celebration. It is the Jewish harvest celebration. Paul and Pam built a sukkah, a small place to celebrate and we all sat in and ate a pot luck supper. On the old days, they were actually built in the fields after the harvest. It was a cold but nice time.

This week will be filled with harvest celebrations. On Oct. 9, Alder River Grange Meeting and Potluck will get ready for another potluck/harvest supper on Oct. 10.

Oct. 10 there will be a public book talk at 7:30 p.m. with Richard Hoffman at Gould Academy in Bingham Auditorium. He will read from his book. Hope they have made it accessible by now. FMI 824-7762.

Oct. 9, 10 and 11 Sunday River will hold their Fall Festival, a weekend of parties, competitions and activities such as the New England Annual Cornhole Championship and the 16th Annual North American Wife Carrying Contest. Activities will include pony rides, outdoor concerts, chainsaws, sculpting demos and other games. FMI SundayRiver.com.

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Nordic Walking Opportunities with WFLT

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Requirements include appropriate clothing, footwear, and a desire to enjoy walking with others in the outdoors. There is no fee. The Trust and 5210 Lets Go have Nordic poles and beautiful trails.

Voice-command dogs are welcome to accompany us. The November walk will be on Friday Nov. 20 at 10 a.m. in Buckfield on the Trust's Packard Loop Trail. The trail head is located 1.2 miles south of 117 on the Sodom

Road. Please wear blaze orange, and remember orange for any voice-command dogs attending.

The December walk is set for Saturday Dec. 12 at 9 a.m. at Shepard's Farm Preserve in Norway.

Fryeburg Fair supports smoke-free living

When you attend the Fryeburg Fair this year, you're going to notice the fall fresh air and some new signs. That's because River Valley Healthy Communities, the Partnership for a Tobacco Free Maine, and Fair organizers are working to create a healthier experience for everyone.

Signs now identify "no smoking" areas and organizers have created designated areas for those who wish to smoke. The signs at eat-

ing areas remind people that Maine law states, "Smoking is prohibited within 20 feet of doors, vents, windows and entryways." This is not totally new but there is additional emphasis this year towards creating the type of tobacco free policy that 'fits' the spirit of the fair.

"I'm excited to be able to support the friendly people in charge of making the Fryeburg Fair the great event that it has always been,"

says Carol Emery, Coordinator of the Healthy Maine Partnership, a project of the River Valley Healthy Communities Coalition funded by the Maine Center for Disease Control.

Carol has been helping father and son, Roy and David Andrews, President and General Superintendent, respectively, to create a tobacco policy that meets the fair's needs and at the same time, doesn't pose an obstacle for

any of their over 300,000+ attendees. This is no small task, and everyone recognizes that going totally smoke free may take a little time.

"In many instances, large organizations such as Sunday River, the Maine Department of Transportation, or Irving Forrest Products started the process of going tobacco free a year out to allow time to prepare change. Our goal is to create healthier environments in places where we all work and play—like the Fryeburg Fair. These signs and designated smoking areas are part of that transition period. For other organizations, they have offered smoking cessation classes to get ready for changes in tobacco policy," states Emery.

Fryeburg Fair is celebrating its 165th year and is being held from Oct. 4-11, \$10 admission, children under 12 FREE, for healthy fun with the whole family. On Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday fair goers pay just one price — \$20 — for all mechanical rides.

erybody but now I do." In addition to getting accustomed to new teammates the style of play was different. Boys are bigger and stronger. It's not only intimidating for a smaller girl with limited game experience but also a challenge to be able to compete against them. The girls said they needed to take on a more aggressive mentality and play the game with the intensity that boys usually do.

"There was a lot of adjusting," Alanskas said. "I play defense. To me that's a big thing because I have to block the shots. It's different playing with the girls because their on it quickly. So it feels like I'm learning more as it goes."

It was a quick study too. The girls joined the boys' team just days before the season started. So establishing their role and place on the team was part of adapting to the new surroundings.

"It was hard switching over," Savage said. "Practicing with them and getting used to their speed and their feet and adjusting to them and getting our drills down with them was hard. It was weird at first but we did get used to the shifting."

The four girls added some numbers to the boys' squad and provided a little depth, but the Rebels are still relatively young and inexperienced. The addition of more players makes it hard to develop skills and provide playing time when the boys' varsity is all that's left.

"Without the girls' program and without the JV programs, there's 19 kids and four or five kids don't have a lot of experience," Eliot said. "What do you do? I have a heart. I want them to play, but I don't want to lose a game at this level. I'm kind of stuck in between. I try to be fair but win too. It's a hard balancing trick."

Eliot hopes that the girls' squad can bounce back. He's got a young daughter that would likely play in the future. There's a group of incoming freshmen playing at the middle school level that could help the girls' team get back on track next year. In the meantime, the girls and the boys' soccer players at Telstar have made the best of a challenging situation.

"I honestly like it," Bergeron said. "They teach us a lot of good drills. I'd definitely join the boys' team against if I had to."

"I was hoping to go through with it and actually finish the year out," Bergeron said. "I was set on actually playing."

The girls' program went into hiatus because of low numbers. Some of the girls that still wanted to play took their game to the boys' team. It was a bit of an adjustment for the girls as well as their new team, but it's a scenario that is proving beneficial to both.

"I honestly wouldn't want it any other way," Alanskas said. "I wouldn't rather work with any other team than this team."

The girls have been welcomed by the boys on the squad and have worked well together. The girls are finding their roles on the team, while the Rebels have already won three games this season, matching what the boys club did last fall.

"I think we're a great group working together," Bergeron said. "We're definitely comfortable being able to share what we're doing well."

Savage is a senior midfielder that earned a starting role and is one of the team captains. Alanskas, a senior defender, and Killam, a freshman, have worked themselves into backup roles off the bench while Bergeron, a junior, is developing skills and earning her playing team as well.

"It was tough (at first) because I didn't know which of them were coming," Telstar coach John Eliot said. "If a whole bunch of them came we would be able to get a JV schedule."

The girls' team didn't win a game last year and has still been trying to establish itself since becoming a varsity program a few years ago. The

school waited until the very last moment before cancelling the girls' season and avoiding any penalty. That meant any girls wanting to continue to play would have to join the boys' team.

"In my head, I knew we weren't going to have enough girls," Savage said. "So I already had the mentality that we'd probably be on the boys' team. I didn't mind it because I had played throughout the summer with a bunch of the boys. So I was already used to it. I was actually pretty excited because I knew playing with the boys pushes me as a player. I've definitely gotten better playing on the boys' team."

Bergeron hadn't played soccer since elementary school. She enjoyed the preseason work with the girls' team but wasn't too fearful going to the boys' squad. She's a junior firefighter. So working with males is nothing new to her, and she wasn't intimidated. It was just a matter of developing the skills she needed on the field.

"I definitely learned a lot from the first couple of weeks working with the girls," Bergeron said. "Then shifting over to the boys definitely helped me a lot more. They helped me out with the physical part along with the mental part."

It was a bit of a challenge for Killam. She was an incoming freshman. She was new to the girls' squad as it was. Before she had the chance to completely feel comfortable with her girls' soccer teammates, she was on the boys' team.

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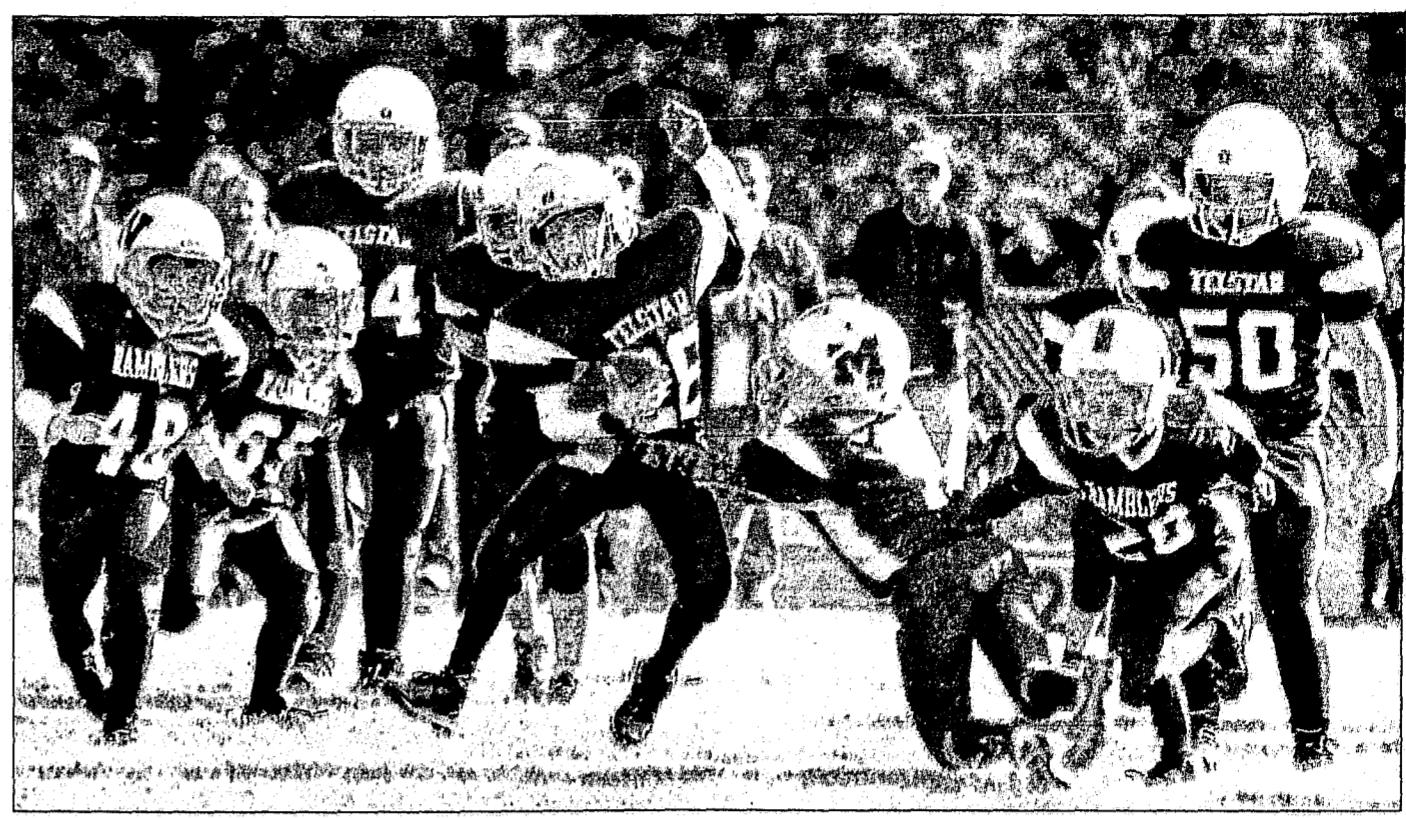
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The trees may have been a little late in showing their colors, but the fruits and the usual human activities of the season have been right on schedule. Top, the Youth Football Rebels (Grades 2-4) played a team from Winthrop Saturday at Telstar, winning 14-12. Middle, the annual Jeep Jamboree saw some 170 Jeepers take to the trails of the area and the streets of Bethel on Saturday. Bottom, cousins Kelley Thorpe, Logan Thorpe and Kyler Bryant showed off some of their grandparents' apples at Lyon Orchard, and the Swain Farm in Bethel had pumpkins everywhere around its farm stand.

(Photos: aerial, Randy Autrey; others, A. Aloisio)



Kevin Mannix at Whitman Library

Kevin Mannix of WCSH 6 TV will be the guest speaker at the Whitman Memorial Library in Bryant Pond on Thursday, Oct. 15, at 2 p.m. Mr. Mannix will be talking about his book, "Weathering Shamo" that he and his wife, Linda Rota, have written. Their goal is to help people benefit from their struggles, raise awareness, and to be inspired and encouraged by their personal stories to embark on their own journey of self-discovery, recovery or awareness. The program is open to the public at no charge and light refreshments will be served.

SAD 44 Adult/Community Education news

Fall Reflections

This week I attended a meeting in Augusta with many other Adult Educators from all over the State. We spent some time at the meeting reflecting on some of the great things that happen in our programs and on the successes of our students. I thought I'd take a little space in each column to share some of our successes with you. We are quite proud of our 2014 High School Equivalency graduation class. Of the eight who graduated, I know that two are enrolled in a full time college program and three others have started attending college on a part time basis. Congratulations to those who are continuing their education!

We have some new classes starting the week of Oct. 12.

Local television show goes state wide

For three years, Today River Valley has been a local television show with a few thousand regular viewers.

Now, Today River Valley will be reaching over 400,000 households as the program starts to air on WPME-TV, channel 3 on Time Warner, channel 35 on Direct and Dish, and 35.1 and 35.2 over the air digital broadcasting.

"Stories from our communities will now be seen in an area ranging from Portland, Maine to Gorham, N.H.," says Phil Blampied, producer of Today River Valley. "It is a great opportunity to raise the profile of our towns and help attract both tourists and investment."

Today River Valley started three years ago as a way to present community news in a television program format. It has been an hour long show, with five editions every year. Now, Today River Valley will be a half hour program run at 7 a.m. every Sunday on WPME starting Oct. 4. There will be a new edition every month.

"We called Today River Valley a television program for an area too small to have its own television station," says Phil Blampied; "but now we have WPME. Their

Phoenix House to become Joey Kramer restaurant

Aerosmith drummer Joey Kramer has announced that he will open the Rockin' & Roastin' Café & Restaurant at the Mountain in Newry with business executive Les Otten, according to a press release.

Slated to open in December, the restaurant will be housed in the current Phoenix House & Well space and will feature a coffeehouse and dining room. The namesake is a nod to Kramer's 100 percent organic certified coffee company, Rockin' & Roastin,' the release said.

"Les Otten is a legend in skiing, and I couldn't be more amped to partner up with him in this venture," said Kramer, chairman and founder of Rockin' & Roastin,' according to the release.

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live music, and it will be open year-round.

Downstairs, there will be a casual café concept where baristas will prepare a variety of coffee drinks using the traditional Rockin' & Roastin' brews, a signature espresso, a Swiss water-based decaffeinated version, organic flavored coffees and cappuccinos, the release said. It will also offer fresh baked goods includ-

ing coffee cakes, Danishes, pastries and muffins baked in-house, as well as gourmet sandwiches. Upstairs, there will be a full-service dining room that will offer family fare such as a series of steaks, seafood and other classic preparations.

"Our goal is to provide a dynamic 'must see' family-friendly venue with great food, great music and great views," said Frank Cimler

and Ron Mann, co-founders of Rockin' & Roastin'. "We feel this will be a fantastic addition to the region, and hope to bring forth an unforgettable experience for residents and tourists alike."

The restaurant currently is accepting applications for all restaurant positions, including internships. Resumes may be submitted through comments@rockinandroastin.com.

Senior College program on keeping your brain fit

"Healthy Habits for a Healthier You" is the topic of a program to be presented by Mark Pechenik, Director of Community Outreach and Engagement, Maine Chapter, Alzheimer's Association, on Thursday, Oct. 22, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., at the Bethel Congregational Church, Church Street, Bethel. The program is sponsored by To Your Health of Western Mountains Senior College.

Pechenik spoke on a well-received topic, "The Ten Signs of Alzheimer's," at a To Your Health program last fall, and his program on

"Healthy Habits for a Healthier You" will discuss steps one can take that might reduce the risk of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. He said, "When people think about staying fit, they generally think from the neck down." He added that the health of one's brain plays a critical role in almost everything one does: thinking, feeling, remembering, working, playing and even sleeping. The good news is that emerging evidence suggests there are steps one can take to help keep the brain healthier as one ages. This program will offer the best and most up-to-date information available about brain health

so people can make their own decisions about their overall health.

Pechenik has served with the Maine Chapter, Alzheimer's Association, for the past two years. He is responsible for developing essential connections between the Maine Chapter and the Maine community. He manages the Chapter's Early Stage Social Engagement Program, which offers healthy fun and meaningful social activities that enhance the lives of those living with early stage Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. His background includes positions as Executive Director for the North Attleborough

Council on Aging in North Attleborough, Mass.; Director of Communications for Hillside School in Marlborough, Mass.; and Executive Director of the Hope Center for Cancer Support in Providence, R.I.

The program is sponsored as a community service by To Your Health of WMSM with the collaboration of the Bethel Family Health Center, MSAD 44/Continuing Educating and the Alzheimer's Association, Maine Chapter. The program is open to the public and admission is free. Light refreshments will be available. For more information, contact Rosabelle Tiff at 824-2053.

MLT display

Over 50 paintings and photographs depicting the natural beauty of the Mahoosuc region are now on exhibit at the Mahoosuc Land Trust. The exhibit opened Saturday, Sept. 26 with a steady stream of visitors. The exhibit will be open until Oct. 18 and the public is invited to view the art Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Many of the pieces of art are for sale and the exhibiting artists have generously agreed to donate a portion of the sale proceeds to the Land Trust.

Winners in the show categories are as follows. Mary Isham, 1st in Art for Showers, Bethel Historical Society Yard; Alice Tweedie, 2nd in Art for Fall Harvest; Suzanne Taylor, 3rd in Art for Lilies at Katheleens; Mac Davis, 1st in Photography for Sunrise on Songo; Kevin Winsor, 2nd in Photography for Boats on the Shore; and Rosabelle Tiff, 1st in Writing for An Ode to an Old Friend.

Many thanks to Northeast Bank for their lead sponsor support. Mike Cooper hung all of the art. Judges were Aranka Matolcsy and Anne Wood.

Salem Witch Trials subject of upcoming BHS program

BY TATUM BROWN

On Saturday, Oct. 17, at 1:30 p.m., Emerson W. Baker, Professor of History at Salem State University, will visit the Bethel Historical Society to present "A Storm of Witchcraft: The Salem Trials and the American Experience." During the Society's annual Stanley Russell Howe Lecture, Dr. Baker will talk about his in-depth research into the witchcraft hysteria of 1692 in Salem, Massachusetts. A public historian teaching courses on material culture, archaeology, museums and architectural history, Professor Baker's principal area of interest is seventeenth-century New England. Copies of Baker's book, *A Storm of Witchcraft: The Salem Trials and the American Experience*, will be available for purchase and signing after the lecture.

In 1692 more than 150 people would be accused of witchcraft, and 25 would die in the Salem witch trials, the largest witchcraft outbreak in American history. In this illustrated talk, Emerson Baker will explore the rich catalogue of explanations that have been put forward over the years to solve the mystery.

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of what happened in 1692 but ultimately shows that there was no single factor. Rather, behind the events in Salem and surrounding towns was a unique convergence of conditions, including a new charter and government, a grim and bloody frontier war in Maine, and sectarian and political power-struggles. Focusing on the key players in the Salem witchcraft crisis, Dr. Baker will illuminate why the tragedy unfolded as it did.

During his talk, he will show how the Puritan government's attempts to suppress what had taken place only fueled the popular imagination, and established the trials as a turning point from Puritan communalism to Yankee independence. He'll also set the trials in the broader context of American history from the 1600s up through the present, and reveal the ways their legacy remains with us. Indeed, there are even some fascinating connections to the Salem witch trials in the Bethel area!

Emerson "Tad" Baker is a professor of History at Salem State University. He is the award-winning author of many works on the history and archaeology of early Maine and New England, including *The Devil of Great Island: Witchcraft and Conflict in Early New England*. Baker received his BA from Bates College, his MA from the University of Maine and

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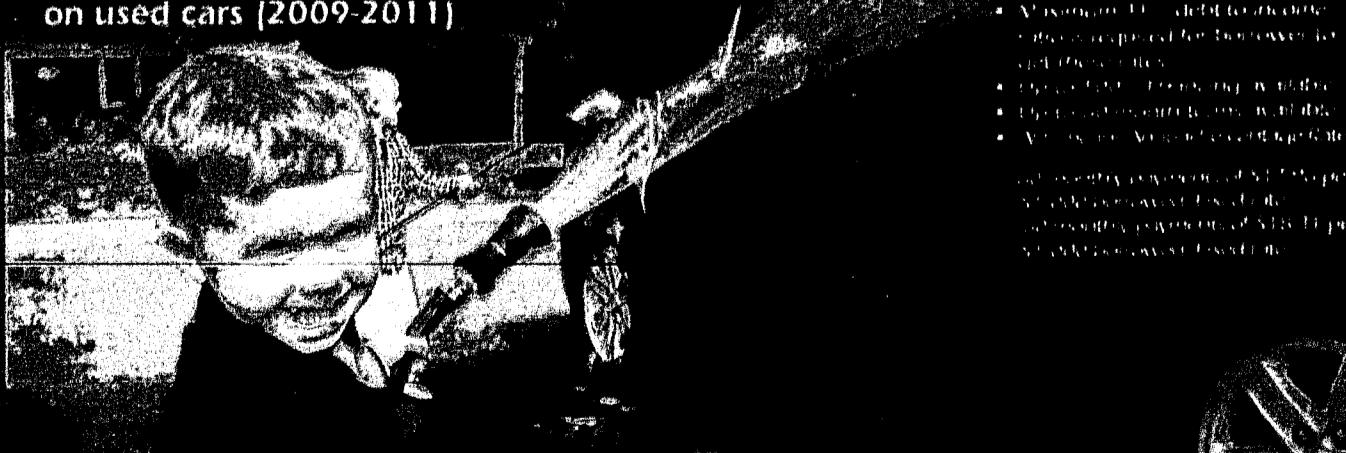
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Exchange; Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours – No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Bethel Area Food Pantry; serving the residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilford, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon to 8 p.m. Anyone in need of food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food Pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street, Bethel, by the side entrance on Park Street. Donations for the Bethel Food Pantry should be left on the porch at 57 Elm Street. Contact Dave Bean at beand@gouldacademy.org or 824-0369 with any questions.

Oct. 9, 10 and 11

Fall Festival; Sunday River. This full weekend of parties, competitions, and activities, including the 2nd Annual New England Cornhole Championship and 16th annual North American Wife Carrying Championship, welcomes the cooler weather and ushers in another winter season. In addition, the Fall Festival weekend is loaded with family-friendly activities, free outdoor concerts, free horse-drawn wagon rides, pony rides, face painting, chainsaw sculpting demonstrations, and plenty of carnival-style games. FMI: sundayriver.com.

Friday, Oct. 9

Alder River Grange Meeting/Potluck; 6 p.m. supper followed by a 7 p.m. meeting. There may also be a peal party for the Oct. 10 Harvest Supper.

Public Book Talk with Richard Hoffman; 7:30 p.m., Gould Academy's Bingham Auditorium. Richard Blanco will introduce Richard Hoffman and Longfellow Books from Portland Maine will be here selling some of Hoffman's and Blanco's books for the book signing which takes place at the post event reception in the IDEAS Center. FMI: 824-7762 or gouldacademy.org.

Saturday, Oct. 10

Indoor Yard Sale; 8 a.m. to 12 noon, Wilkins House, Plummer Hill Road, Waterford. We have many things suitable for gift giving in addition to puzzles, books, bikes and household needs. Also, we just received numerous craft items. Roll a die and get 5 to 30 percent off your purchase. All proceeds benefit the church and the Wilkins House.

Rumford Hospital Auxiliary Attic Treasure Sale; 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., 209 Lincoln Avenue, Rumford. Enjoy hot cider and donut holes while you look through a range of items including small furniture, artwork, holiday décor, books, small kitchen appliances and more. FMI: Barbara Belanger (207-364-3648).

West Paris Library's Used Book Sale; 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., West Paris Historical Society. Used books, DVDs, and puzzles for sale as well as raffles, coffee and muffins.

Annual Yard Sale; 9 a.m., Albany Town Hall, corner of Vernon Street and Hunt's Corner Road.

Annual Festival of Fall; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Hanover Picnic Pavilion, Route 2 East, Main Street, Hanover, adjacent to the Town Office. Festivities will include live acoustic music by Lisa Ferguson, Book Sale, Craft Sale, Bake Sale, Yard Sale, Snack Bar and raffles of theme baskets. Sponsored by the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library. For more info call 603-553-1973.

SWOAM Tour of Chadbourne Tree Farm Woodlands; 9 a.m. (coffee and donuts will be available at 8:30). From Rumford on Route 2, the lot is located immediately on the left after the cemetery by the state highway garage. If traveling from Bethel on Route 2 East, the lot is two miles out of Bethel. SWOAM direction signs on the right side of the road will be posted. For more information, contact Rich Merk at 415-1628 or rich@fairpoint.net.

Blessing of the Animals; 1 p.m., on the front lawn of the Bethel United Methodist Church, 79 Main St., Bethel. All animals, great and small, are welcome. Live animals must be on leashes or in cages. Also welcome are stuffed toy animals or a picture of your pet if they are more comfortable staying at home. The pastor will bless all animals, including donated toy animals, which will be given to local groups for Christmas gifts. Refreshments after the blessing for both animals and their humans.

Oxford Hills Honey Bee Club Workshop; 1 p.m., Oxford County Extension Center, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. Topic: Preparing bees for winter by checking for honey supply and wrapping hives. FMI: Kevin (farout@roadrunner.com) or www.mainehoneypees.com.

Harvest Supper; 5 p.m., Alder River Grange Hall. There will be a choice of corned beef or ham with potatoes and veggies and a dessert. Adults/\$8, kids under 12/\$3.

Sound of Music Sing Along; Waterford Library. This spectacular library fundraiser will start with brats, sauerkraut and biergarten at 5 p.m. The movie on the lawn starts at 5:30 and moviegoers are encouraged to sing right along with the movie. Get out the lederhosen or dress as your favorite character because at intermission there will be a costume contest, a Julie Andrews lookalike contest, raffles, prizes and more.

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5.

Swingin' Bears Square Dance; 7 to 10 p.m., Oxford Hills Middle School Cafeteria, 100 Pine Street, South Paris. Levels: Mainstream and Plus, alternating with round dancing. Caller: Walter Lougee. Cuer: Bernie Porter. \$7 per person, non-dancers admitted at no charge. Door prizes, 50/50, refreshments.

Tuesday, Oct. 13

Flag Disposal; 5 p.m., Mundt-Allen Post 81, Vernon Street, Bethel. Everyone invited, please bring your worn, torn American Flags to be disposed of in a respectful and honorable way.

Supper Dance; 5 to 9:30 p.m. (doors open at 4), American Legion Hall, Gore Road, Locke's Mills. Harvest supper and pies. Music by the Jones Band. Supper only \$7, supper and dance \$12, children \$3.

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SAD 44 School Board Meeting; 6:30 p.m., Woodstock Elementary School.

Theater at Monmouth Public Performance of Henry V; 7 p.m., Gould Academy. \$15 at the door.

Wednesday, Oct. 14

Bethel Senior Citizens Meeting; Harvest Dinner. \$10. Reservations must be made before Oct. 1 by calling Arlene Lowell at 824-2877.

Passive House Site Walk; 5:30 p.m., 36 Lost Brook Road, Bethel. Want to learn more about Passive House? Join us at Maine Passive House's latest Project. Jesper Kruse will talk about this project and his process phME. FMI: 890-3203.

Age-Friendly Community Project Community Gathering; 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church. Besides providing an opportunity for discussion, the Age-Friendly Community Project planning team will introduce a survey, to be distributed throughout the Bethel community to residents 50 and over.

Oct. 15 and 22

CPR and CPR Recertification for Healthcare Professionals; Bethel Family Health Center with instructor Jeanine Thornton. Includes: adult, child, & infant CPR, and obstructed airway. 2 year certification. For CPR Re-Certification, just attend Oct. 15. Limit 6. \$50 per person. FMI/Sign up: <http://sad44.maineadulted.org/> or call 824-2136 ext. 1340.

Thursday, Oct. 15

Age-Friendly Community Project Community Gathering; 1:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church. Besides providing an opportunity for discussion, the Age-Friendly Community Project planning team will introduce a survey, to be distributed throughout the Bethel community to residents 50 and over. This gathering is a repeat for those unable to attend on Wednesday, Oct. 14.

Book Talk with Kevin Mannix; 2 p.m., Whitman Memorial Library. Mr. Mannix will be talking about his book, "Weathering Shame" that he and his wife, Linda Rota have written. Their goal is to help people benefit from their struggles, raise awareness, and to be inspired and encouraged by their personal stories to embark on their own journey of self-discovery, recovery or awareness. The program is open to the public at no charge and light refreshments will be served.

Basic Ballroom Dancing; 7 to 8 p.m., Crescent Park School cafeteria. Have you always wanted to take a ballroom class or just want to refresh your memory? This class is for you. This is a 6 week adult class. You will learn the basics of waltz, tango, cha-cha, and swing. Come with a partner and dance the night away and have a great time. Instructor: Bridget Whitman. Tuition: \$60/single person, \$75/couple.

Oct. 16 and 25

Hunter Safety Firearms Class; 6 to 9 p.m. Oct. 16 and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 25. Study includes proper operation and use of equipment, maps and compass; first aid and survival laws; and land-owner relations and ethics. Participants must be 10 years old or older; those 10-12 years old must be accompanied by an adult. This is a Home Study course. Materials will be handed out and explained at the other class. Student must attend all classes. Limit 25. To sign up go to: <http://sad44.maineadulted.org/> or call 824-2136 ext. 1340.

Friday, Oct. 16

"Music in the Hills" Benefit Concert; All proceeds from the concert will benefit the Jasper Horecky-Power of Play Memorial Scholarship and the 21st Century "music for youth" program. Music for Youth is a before and after school program that provides children 5-12 with the opportunity to play instruments, learn music theory and participate in a choir. Tickets for the event can be purchased at Books N Things on Main Street in Norway or for \$15 at the door. There will also be a benefit dinner and concessions for cash purchase prior to the performance.

Saturday, Oct. 17

Yard Sale; 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road (across from the Telstar parking lot). Household and estate items for sale.

West Paris Library's Buck-a-Bag Used Book Sale; 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Raffle winners from the Oct. 10 book sale will be drawn. FMI: 674-2004.

CPR and First Aid Class; 9 a.m., Oxford Public Safety Building. Course includes basic first aid, adult, child, and infant CPR and the use of an AED. On successful completion of the one-day course, you will receive a two-year certification in accordance with the American Heart Association. FMI: Patty (671-4460).

Foster-Carroll American Legion Auxiliary Craft Fair; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., 12 Church Street, Paris. The lunch counter will be open. The hall is handicap accessible and parking spaces are available. For table reservations or more info, call Sylvia at 743-7221.

Salem Witch Trials Presentation; 1:30 p.m., Bethel Historical Society. Emerson W. Baker, Professor of History at Salem State University, will visit the Bethel Historical Society to present "A Storm of Witchcraft: The Salem Trials and the American Experience." During the Society's annual Stanley Russell Howe Lecture, Dr. Baker will talk about his in-depth research into the witchcraft hysteria of 1692 in Salem, Massachusetts. A public historian teaching courses on material culture, archaeology, museums and architectural history, Professor Baker's principal area of interest is seventeenth-century New England. Copies of Baker's book, A Storm of Witchcraft: The Salem Trials and the American Experience, will be available for purchase and signing after the lecture.

Public Harvest Supper; 5 to 6 p.m., VFW Post 9787, 58 Lower Main Street, South Paris. Adults/\$8, kids 12 and under/\$4.

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5.

Sunday, Oct. 18

Pumpkin Run; 10 a.m., Agnes Gray School, 170 Main Street, West Paris. The Pumpkin Run is an all-ages 1-Mile Fun Run and Walk which starts at 10 a.m. and a 5K Road Race Run and fitness walk. The 5K race, walk starts immediately following the Fun Run. You may register online at www.back40timing.com, in person at Agnes Gray School, 170 Main Street, West Paris or mail a registration form to

the school. Checks may be made payable to Agnes Gray PTO. Onsite registration begins at 8:30 a.m. at Agnes Gray School the day of the race.

Finnish American Heritage Society Meeting; 2 p.m., 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Following a short business meeting, Natalie Parsons will present a program describing her adventure to Antarctica last winter. She has some amazing photos of a part of the world not many people get a chance to experience. The public is invited to attend, share the coffee table and hear about Natalie's journey.

Finnish American Heritage Society Public Supper; 5 to 6 p.m., 8 Maple Street, West Paris. This international buffet features dishes from around the world in addition to delicious homemade desserts. The cost for adults is \$8 and children 12 and under can eat for \$4.

Monday, Oct. 19

Intro to Polarity Therapy; 6 to 7:30 p.m., Telstar Adult Education Corridor. \$10 per person. This workshop will include an overview of Energy Medicine – what it is and how it fits into our 21st Century healthcare system. You will then learn about Polarity Therapy and its benefits. Instructor: Emily Ecker. FMI: 357-9954 or eecker@gmail.com.

Thursday, Oct. 22

Healthy Habits for a Healthier You; 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. Emerging evidence suggests there are steps you can take to help keep your brain healthier as you age, which might also reduce the risk of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. FMI: Rosabelle Tiffet (rmftiff@megalink.net or 824-2053).

Oct. 23 and 24

Third Annual Jack-O-Lantern Spectacular; 6 to 9 p.m., McLaughlin Garden and Homestead. Hundreds of carved pumpkins will line garden paths. Area students and garden volunteers will prepare the seasonal display. Those bringing carved pumpkins in advance will receive discounted admission. The ticket price, \$5 with children under 2 free, includes cider and popcorn.

Saturday, Oct. 24

Public Chicken Pie Supper; 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., VFW Post 9787, Lower Main Street, South Paris. Sponsored by Am-Vets Post 777. Adults/\$8, kids 12 and under/\$4.

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5.

Tuesday, Oct. 27

Wilderness Survival Course; 4:30 to 6 p.m. (this is the first in a 4-week course series that will meet each Tuesday through Nov. 17), White Mountains Community College. Instructor: Licensed New Hampshire Guide, Jeff Swayze. Tuition: \$85. This course is split into classroom discussions and field experience. Topics covered include shelter building, fire making, water and food gathering and more. FMI/Registration: Tamara Roberge (troberge@ccsnh.edu or 603-342-3062).

From a Village in the Congo; 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., McLaughlin Auditorium, Gould Academy. Linda Orsi Robinson, Doctors Without Borders in the Democratic Republic of the Congo hopes her book will "help raise awareness of how our actions impact the global stage." FMI: Amy Chapman (amy.w.chapman@gmail.com) or Ellen Marshal (ellensmarshal@gmail.com or 824-2643).

Wednesday, Oct. 28

Brown Bag Lunch; 12:15 to 1:30 p.m., Bethel Inn Library. "A Global Perspective," Linda Robinson. How can we improve our sensitivity toward cultures vastly different from our own? What responsible actions might be suggested? Linda's Down Home Maine presentation the previous evening will be a valuable introduction, but it is not necessary to attend both. FMI/Reservations: Nancy Davis (nancydavis.bethel@gmail.com or 381-1110).

Community Supper; 4:30 to 6 p.m. (No Charge) Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road. (across from the Telstar parking lot). Call 207-824-2289 for more information.

Friday, Oct. 30

Community Supper and Presentation; 6 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church. Doug, Andee, Ben and Chaia Alford hiked 350 kilometers on the Santiago de Comino in July. They followed the traditional medieval pilgrimage route of thousands who hike the hills. They stayed in hotels and hostels maintained along the trail. Come hear their stories and see photos. Beans, casseroles and homemade pies will be served. Donations will be accepted for the WPCC Smile Fund for dentures in the greater Bethel area.

Saturday, Oct. 31

Craft Fair; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Rumford Elementary School, Lincoln Avenue, Rumford. A variety of crafts will be on sale and the ABC Cafe will be serving lunch. This is the 22nd annual Craft Fair that is sponsored by the RES Parent/Teacher Organization. This event is open to the public.

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - BUILD IT!

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: What famous building did chickens build?

ANNEX
BARN
CONDO
DORM
DUPLEX
FACTORY
GARAGE
HALL
HOTEL
INN
LODGE
MALL
PAVILION
SCHOOL
STADIUM
THEATER
TRIPLEX



Riddle answer: _____



SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Grip **CRABE**
 Mesh **ECLIPS**
 Merge **FUNIY**
 Protect **VASE**

TODAY'S WORD

Super Crossword

HOO'S HOO

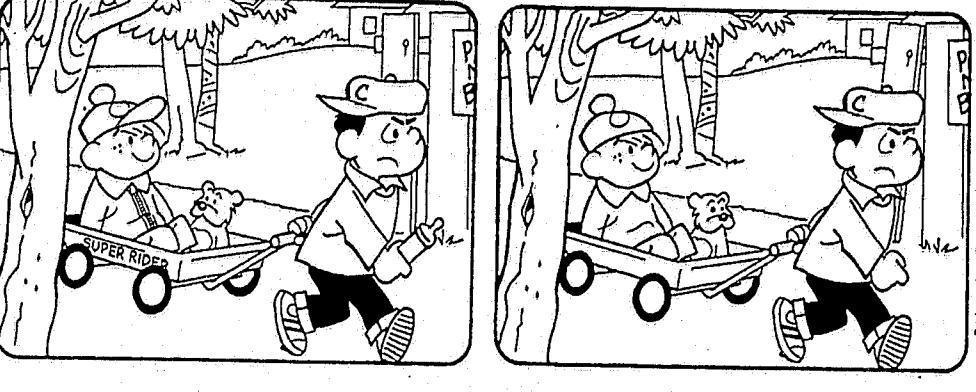
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6 Lion group	70	American League MVP	75	warmly	113	Alternative	14	Fat foot	54	"—la-la!"
11 Be in accord (with)	77	Horseshoe's place	76	to Fox	114	Sports	15	More stable	70	Vocalized
15 Loses firmness	42	Miguel	78	face-off spot	115	Hockey	16	—Saxon	71	for the doc
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26 Environs	57	Writing fluid	84	Italy's Villa	122	covering	22	characters	76	influx of
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	67	Lecherous	94	Oscar —	132	box	32	mainly	86	101 Fight against
	68	gossip columnist	95	Hoya	133	box	33	mainly	87	102 Soaked up
	69	guy	96	Cagey	134	box	34	mainly	88	some rays
	70	Teapot part	97	Connect to	135	box	35	mainly	89	93 Sack
	71	"The Simpsons"	98	get power	136	box	36	mainly	90	(footbag brand)
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	97		124		162	box	62	mainly	116	95 Observe

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
 1. Cap is different. 2. Zipper is missing. 3. Wagon name is missing.
 4. Teddy bear is turned. 5. Fence board is moved. 6. Bottle is missing.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: P equals Y

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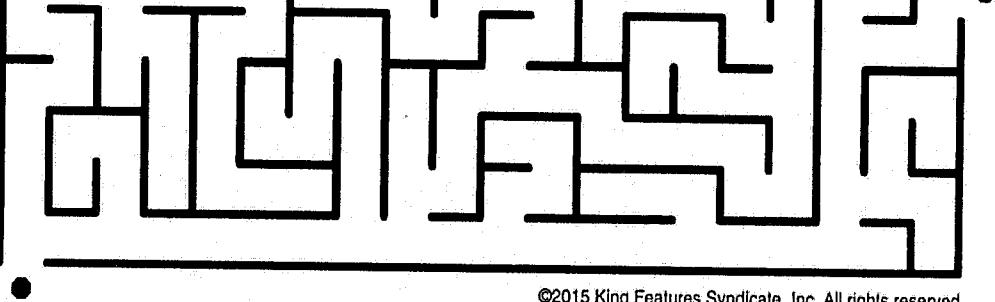
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"VZ ZG OSR IBP."

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Kids' Maze

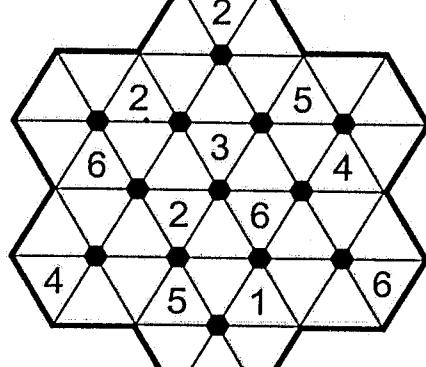


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Snowflakes

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆
 ◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

9		3		6
2	1		6	7
		6	2	
8		5		9
6			4	
		9		8
5			2	3
		8		7
7		6	4	1

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging

★★★ HOO BOY!

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SCRAMBLERS

CryptoQuip

SALARY

Backyard Reflections

BY SARA WRIGHT

The Eagles Have Landed
Most mornings during the summer I walked down by North Pond, and until late July I observed at least one adult bald eagle wheeling overhead pestering the loon with her solitary chick as the two bobbed around on shimmering blue waters. The day after I finished the Audubon loon count in late July the persecution ended, because one of the eagles finally caught his (her) prey. The fluffy baby loon disappeared, and for days the parents lamented their loss.

Although I understand that eagles have to eat too, I was annoyed by what appeared to be the continuous harassment I witnessed between the eagle and the loons that lasted until the fledgling's death because it seemed so

intentional. It wasn't as if the eagles didn't have other prey available; fish are plentiful on North pond and we have plenty of mammals around. I also wondered if my daily observations were accurate. Was this intimidation really as intentional as it seemed?

When I began researching these birds I discovered that eagles not only ate fish, water birds, and mammals including deer carcasses but also did have a habit of harassing their potential prey for reasons that remain unclear. They also routinely steal food from other birds like the osprey and red tail hawk. They rob food from otters, and keep a sharp eye on bears that are catching salmon hoping for an opportunity to steal a fish. That they feast on carrion is a given. Apparently eagles are aggressive birds by nature.

Eagles who harass their prey are bullies, a quality I do not admire in animals (or people) but I had to acknowledge that these aerial predators seemed to draw most folks in like a magnet with their magnificent body size, wingspread, and ability to soar through the sky on thermal convection currents attaining speeds of about 35 to 40 miles an hour. An eagle's diagonal dive speed is between 75 to 99 miles an hour, a fact that stretches my imagination to its limit.

Whenever I took my kayak out I saw clusters of boats around the island where the two eagles had nested, but it wasn't until after the loon chick died that I joined this entourage. I was struck immediately by the size of the eagle's nest. Situated on top of an apparently damaged pile of sticks situated in a tall

pine open to the sky, the newly built stick/branched nest seemed huge until I looked at the size of the two young eagles perched on branches close by. I later read that the largest nest ever recorded was found in Florida in 1963 and measured almost ten feet wide and 20 feet deep! Bald eagles become sexually mature at four or five years of age. When they are old enough to breed, they often return to the area where they were born and normally these eagles mate for life. Courtship involves spectacular calls and flight displays, the best known of which is the high-flying, talon locking, and free fall separation maneuver they perform just before hitting the ground. The bald eagle typically nests by a large body of water and requires old growth and mature stands of conif

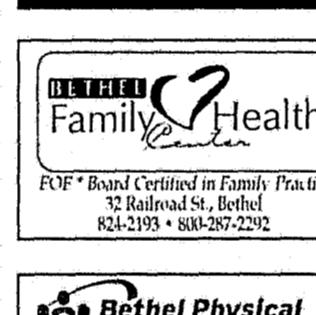
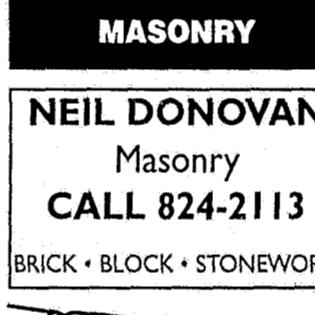
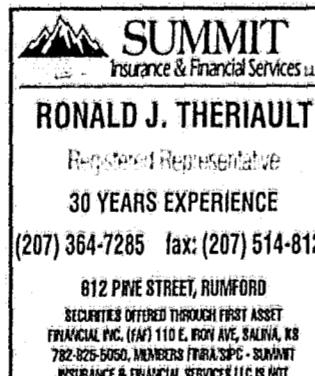
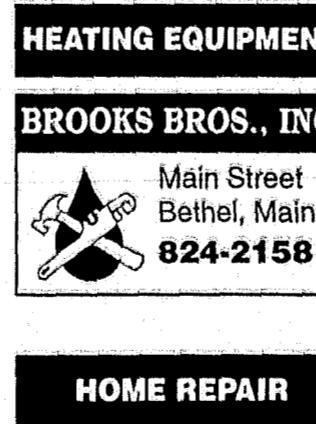
erous or hardwood trees or precipitous cliffs for perching roosting and nesting unless the eagle is living in Sonora Mexico or Florida. In these places eagles will nest on a cactus or in a mangrove swamp. Both parents build the nest and incubate the clutch, and typically two eggs are laid in the spring hatching about four weeks later. The chicks fledge in June or early July depending on the area. For the first few weeks a parent is always at the nest. By six weeks the parents often perch in nearby trees when not hunting. An eagle can gain up to 6 ounces a day, the fastest growth rate of any American bird. By eight weeks eaglets are strong enough to flap their wings, lift their feet off the nest, and rise up in the air. They can also pick up sticks to play tug of war and

have been observed playing with plastic bottles. The eaglets after fledging will remain with the parents who will continue to feed them for another six weeks (16 to 20 weeks in all) before they become independent.

The first afternoon I spent around the island I was mesmerized by the sight of an adult eagle feeding a screaming eaglet that was almost as big as its parent. The shrill high-pitched twittering cries of an eagle are hard to forget. I was also pierced by a golden eagle's eye as one adult bald eagle fastened his gaze on me. On subsequent trips I noted that the youngsters carried on a continuous conversation while I was there. On one excursion one eaglet was visible but the other was so well hidden in the

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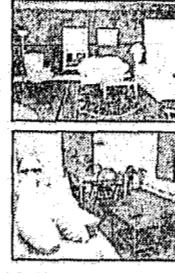
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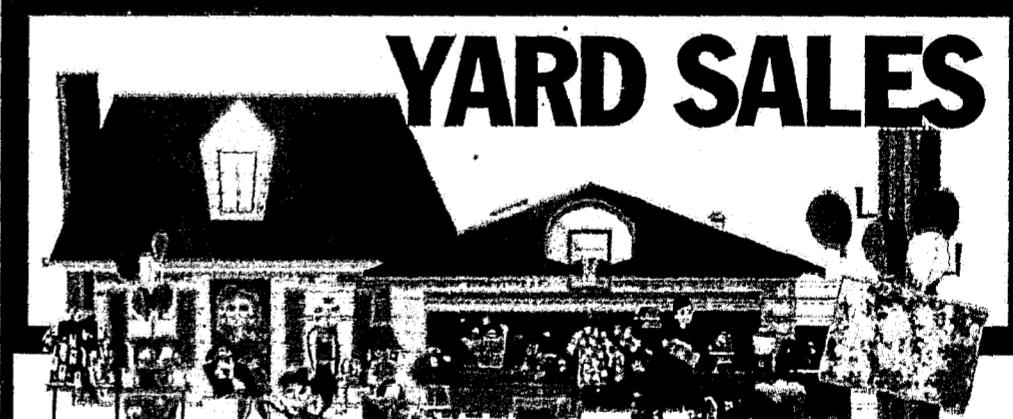
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Obituaries



CHARLES E. MORSE

Charles E. "Buster" Morse, age 83 of South Paris, passed away Sunday, Oct. 4, 2015 at Lahey Clinic in Burlington, Mass.

Buster was born in Newry on Feb. 15, 1932, a son of Cyrus Clark and Edna (Jordan) Morse. He attended schools in Hanover, Newry,

Bethel and Locke's Mills. Following High School, he drove truck for Harris Tyler before entering the US Army where he served his country faithfully during the Korean War in the 40th Infantry Division.

After his return from duty, he married Shirley Crockett on June 30, 1956. She died on July 29, 1999.

Buster worked at ECKO Wood Products in Bethel for over 30 years. Following his retirement he drove for Community Concepts and Western Maine Transportation, and had lived in South Paris for 18 years.

Buster enjoyed going to the Oxford Casino and playing games on his iPad.

Besides his wife, Buster is predeceased by his broth-

er, John Morse; and two sisters, Lilla (Tura) Martin and Patricia (Patsy) Moxey.

He is survived by two sons, Kelly Morse and his wife, Patricia of Wilton, and Darren Morse and his wife, Corinna of Harrison; three sisters, Ella (Flip) Morse of Auburn, Thelma Gaudet and her husband, Eddie of Yarmouth, and Loretta Bryant of Rochester, N.H.; his significant other for the last 15 years, Mary L. Rust of South Paris; three grandchildren, Scott Morse and his wife, Jo of Riverview, NB, Canada, Jessica Reichenbach and her husband, Josh of Jay, and Chris Barron of Wilton; and six great grandchildren, Xander, Peyton, Mattea, Georgia, Kiptyn and Zoe.

The family will receive friends from 1 to 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8 at the Locke Mills Union Church where a funeral service will follow at 2 p.m. with Rev. Sandra Withey officiating. Interment will be at the East Bethel Cemetery. If desired, donations in Buster's memory can be made to the Maine Veteran's Home, 477 High Street, South Paris, Maine 04281. Arrangements are in the care of Chandler Funeral Homes and Cremation Service, 45 Main Street, South Paris. Condolences can be expressed to the family at www.chandlerfunerals.com.

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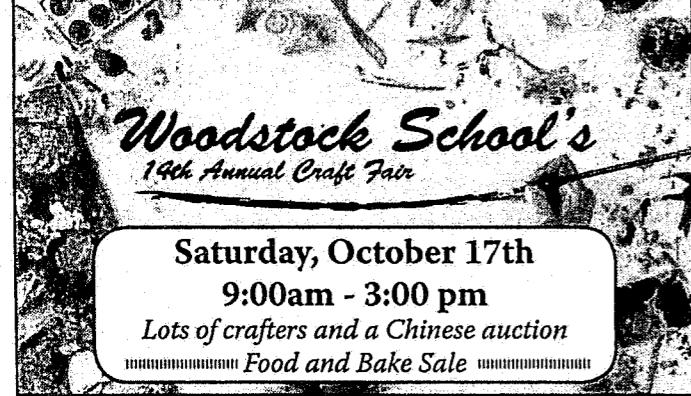
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Reflections

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pine needles that for the longest time I couldn't spot him. I had to admit that in spite of my initial ambivalence/resistance I was now as smitten with eagles as everyone else was!

Fledgling eagles are mottled in color and have dark eyes and beak. It usually takes an eagle four to five years to attain adult plumage that consists of a white head, neck and tail; yellow feet, legs, a hooked beak and bright yellow eyes. An adult eagle's weight is roughly 10 to 14 pounds with the female being the larger of the two. Talons are important tools for hunting and defense. Eagles swoop down and snatch prey from the water or land and kill it by penetrating flesh with their powerful claws. The juveniles disperse after becoming independent and their daytime migration routes either north or south take advantage of the thermals, updrafts, and natural food sources. About 50 percent of the fledglings will survive their first year. Some adult eagles migrate to open water during the winter months but I have observed adult eagles soaring through the sky around here during the month of January. The bald eagle's natural range covers most of North America, from Alaska to Canada to northern Mexico. About half the world's 70,000 bald eagles live in Alaska.

The most iconic of the Endangered Species Act success stories is the recovery of our National symbol, bird and animal, the bald eagle. I was surprised to learn that the founders of the United States compared their new republic with the Roman Empire in which the (golden) eagle was prominent. Benjamin Franklin objected to the bald eagle being used on the official seals of the US government. He argued that the eagle was a bird of bad moral character because of his bullying techniques, and also because he behaved cowardly allowing smaller birds like crows to displace him. The adoption of this bird as a National symbol suggests to me the importance of corporal power to the Founding Fathers of the United States.

Bald eagles figure prominently in the mythology of nearly every Native American tribe for very different

reasons. The bald eagle is first and foremost a symbol of spiritual power. Eagle is the bird that is most closely associated with the Creator/Great Spirit and acts as a messenger to and from the people. Eagle embodies qualities of courage, strength and wisdom to Native peoples. This bird has the ability to live in the spirit world and yet remain connected to the earth. Eagle also personifies balance on earth because one wing is believed to be female and the other is male. Eagle feathers are used in council as an assurance that a person is telling the truth, and the bones of the eagle are used in traditional ceremonies as whistles and flutes. There are many taboos about killing an eagle, and some tribes require their people to take the feathers from a living bird. Others allow eagle killing only at certain times of the year. Among the Pueblo eagles are considered one of the six directional guardians, associated with the sky, spirituality and balance. The Zuni carve stone eagle fetishes for protection, ascribing to them both healing and hunting powers. The Abenaki believe that when the eagle opens his wings the day begins and when he closes them it becomes night.

It interests me that the United States uses the eagle as a symbol of corporal power and that Native peoples see the eagle as a symbol (and literal manifestation) of spiritual power. If we put the two together we create a picture of the eagle in both his most majestic and fearsome aspects. No wonder we are so drawn to these magnificent birds.

TOWN OF BETHEL PUBLIC HEARING

The Bethel Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 12, 2015 at 7 PM

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